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Hospital gets more time

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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has given the Commonwealth Healthcare Corp. more time to correct deficiencies it uncovered during the last survey of the Commonwealth Health Center.

The last survey saw CHCC in violation of seven out of 24 standard conditions.

The extension was granted last Oct. 25 and is a welcome reprieve for
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Gas prices increase in October

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The price of gas rose once more yesterday, effectively increasing the price of gas twice in October alone.

In September, Mobil Oil Marianas' regular unleaded sold for \$3.48 a gallon, before going up to \$3.68

and ultimately \$3.73. About 5 cents were increased for regular unleaded, totaling 25 cents in October.

Mobil's super unleaded went up from \$3.80 a gallon to \$4.10 a gallon.

Mobil's diesel used to sell for \$3.66 in September, before shooting up \$3.81 and once again to

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Big turnout seen in today's start of early voting

» **Hasselback to look into case of 85 'dual voters'**

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The Commonwealth Election Commission expects a big turnout in today's start of the seven-day early voting on Saipan, Tinian, and Rota.

Hasselback

As this developed, CEC hired yesterday former Office of the Public Auditor legal counsel George Lloyd Hasselback

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TRUNK OR TREAT

A Trunk or Treat event at the CPA Airport Field last Saturday attracts the participation of many community members. One of the participants of the Trunk or Treat event displays a gigantic spider and hordes of bats.

ERWIN ENCINARES



Wiseman's replacement out in two weeks

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Gov. Ralph DLG Torres intends to name the replacement of former Commonwealth Superior Court associate judge David A. Wiseman in the next two weeks and he has narrowed down his choices from 14 to four.

Torres' announcement is expected to be made either before or after the Veteran's Day holiday weekend.

He said that 14 showed interest in the position left vacant after Wise-

man retired last May 15. All candidates turned in their credentials and Torres and his team of legal experts carefully reviewed each of them before narrowing it down to four.

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Shenanigans and Sunshine Café receive Biba Award

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Shenanigans and Sunshine Café were both presented with the Biba Award that honors them for providing healthy lunch options on their menu.

Shenanigans was presented with the award on Oct.

26 due to its lunch offerings called Moorish Crunch Salad, Insalata Mista, and Insalata Friulana. Sunshine Café was recognized for its Tuna Salad with White Wine Vinaigrette, Fruit and Veggie Juice, Pineapple Boost Juice, and Green and Lean Juice.

The Biba healthy restaurant

program identifies restaurants that are culinary leaders for providing healthy eating options in the Northern Mariana Islands.

Presenting the awards to the two restaurants were Non-Communicable Disease Bureau administrator Becky Robles, REACH grant local project assistant Jessica Lorf-

ing, and Stacy De Jesus, coordinator for the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion.

Liezzle Viola, Sunshine Café manager, said, "It feels great having this kind of program launch and be[ing] a part of it. It's like giving back to the community by offering

them healthy food every time they come by here."

Richard Allan Santos, head chef of Sunshine Café, said, "There are people out there who exercise and always look for ways to stay healthy. However, sometimes they fall off the wagon and indulge in sweets so our food, in a way,

is an alternative to that since it tastes delicious but is made from the freshest juices varying from carrots to raspberries."

"Shenanigans always strives to serve fresh food and gives our customers healthy menu options," said Belen Busby, owner of Shenanigans restaurant. "Having the Biba Award just reiterates it by acknowledging our efforts."

Busby said she and her staff feel that their customers deserve healthier meals whenever they choose to.

Other organizations that have, or will be receiving, a Biba Award includes Shirley's Coffee Shop and Restaurant, Caravan, and Everest.

Chamber's November meeting on Thursday

The Saipan Chamber of Commerce's monthly meeting for November will be held on Thursday instead of the usual first Wednesday of the month to accommodate the observance of All Souls Day. The Nov. 3 venue is Hyatt Sandcastle.

The main guest speaker will be Commissioner Robert Guerrero of the Department of Public Safety. There will also be a presentation from Anthony Quenga from Bank of Guam (Guam) regarding the Google Start Up Weekend coming to Saipan this weekend.

Also, the Saipan Chamber of Commerce is holding the elections for its board of directors. There are nine members on the Chamber board. Velma Palacios, Alex Sablan, Mike Johnson, and Perry Inos Jr. have one more year to serve of their current terms. The following individuals (in alphabetical order) will be on the ballot for 2017/2018:

■ Wayne Gillespie (Kay-nomi Enterprises)

■ Donna Krum (Friends First Marketing)

■ Kevin McCale (Docomo)

■ Tyrell Pauling (Hyatt)

■ Ron Smith (Angil Design)

■ Beau Tomokane (Delta Air Lines)

■ Bud White (Associate Member)

Membership category will determine the amount of votes allotted to one's company. Those unable to attend Thursday's meeting and wish to place their vote may e-mail their selection by Wednesday at 5pm. (SCC)



Shenanigans Restaurant employees pose with Biba program representatives after receiving the Biba Award on Oct. 27, 2016.

MICHAEL T. SANTOS



Sunshine Café staff are all smiles after receiving the Biba Award on Oct. 27, 2016.

MICHAEL T. SANTOS

McDonald's Middle Road honors CNMI champ's visit

The islands of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota were brought together for the 13th Annual Sengbau Poetry Competition held at the American Memorial Park Visitors Center Theatre.

The recently concluded poetry competition was held in honor of the late Valentine N. Sengbau, a native of Palau who considered Saipan his home for the last 20 years of his life.

Junior-Division Poetry first place winner Jonathan Wolf was honored by Saipan McDonald's Middle Road upon his recent visit to celebrate his accomplishment.

Wolf was welcomed by McDonald's supervisor Mike Morales and his staff, who presented Wolf with a treat.

Wolf, also the CNMI's first-



ever Junior Speech and Debate champion at the recent National Speech and Debate Tournament held at Salt Lake City, Utah, often go to McDonald's Middle Road with his family. "Sometimes after Mass we come here or when we have school achievements or competition winnings, we gather here at McDonald's... it's kind of our family go to, plus it's near our house."

The Wolf family thanks McDonald's for its recognition of the children's hard work and are humbled by their service. (PR)

Jonathan Wolf is flanked by McDonald's supervisor Mike Morales and his staff during Wolf's recent visit to the McDonald's Middle Road branch.

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PH consular outreach processes 700-plus passports

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The Philippine Consulate-General in Guam renewed and processed more than 700 e-passports during a five-day mobile outreach on Saipan.

The mobile outreach, held

at the Kristo Rai Parish social hall from Oct. 24 to 28, resulted in the processing of 704 electronic passports and 72 extensions. For the first time, it featured two capturing passport machines on site.

The PCG team was composed of Consul Mark Francis

C. Hamoy, Allan Tangayan, Maria Liza A. Manarin, and Annabelle M. Oviedo-Lavarez. They were assisted by officers and members of the United Filipino Organizations of Saipan.

Applicants were advised to check their current passports before the renewal date to

avoid delays in processing. If a person's passport is green or maroon with no chip, like a box, at the bottom cover or if the passport number start with "XX," then the applicant is required to present a birth certificate from the National Statistics Office.

One of the UFO volunteers, Annamae Adaza, said, "The consular outreach has become important because that's the only way for us to renew our passports. Not all of us can travel to Guam, that's why it is hard for us without the consulate here. We are lucky this time since they have two [passport capturing] machines

already so the capacity of work done is doubled."

"Some applicants are still missing their appointments. They should have the initiative to find out their schedules and not rely on our calls. Sometimes the contact number they put in the applications do not work or contains the wrong number," Adaza added.

Film features PTSD among war veterans

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A movie that features a stress disorder that's common among soldiers called *Almost Sunrise* held its third and fi-

nal screening of the month on Saturday at the American Memorial Park.

The movie featured two veteran soldiers who wish to spread awareness of colleagues who are afflicted with

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder while also seeking salvation for themselves.

An attendee of the screening, Don Stover, said, "I thought it was very interesting. It's sad what they [veterans] have to go

through and what civilians seem to brush over."

The film "raises awareness of the issues that the military has when they go over and fight overseas, particularly in wars where soldiers aren't sent due to an invasion but have a duty of policing in an-

other country."

Eulalia Arriola, program officer of the Humanities Council that spearheaded the screening, said, "I think that it is very real and it gives us a different perspective of veterans when they return home. In some cases, people just think a

certain way about veterans but the movie kind of opens your eyes to the different struggles that they go through and how they look at things after deployment."

"It gives you a better understanding of veterans of

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'Caregivers, diabetes prevention are connected'



Gov. Ralph DLG Torres, center, joins officials and members of the Ayuda Network Inc. along with their public and private partners in yesterday's signing of the proclamation declaring November as National Family Caregivers and Diabetes Prevention and Awareness Month.

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Caregivers and diabetes prevention are connected as health care professionals take care of the elderly as well as the disabled who suffer from this lifelong condition.

That's why Gov. Ralph

DLG Torres concurrently declared November as the month honoring caregivers and Diabetes Prevention and Awareness Month.

Torres signed both proclamations yesterday with officials and members of nonprofit group Ayuda Network Inc., the organization coordinating

the various activities for the whole month, and their partners in the government and private sectors in attendance at the Governor's Office conference room.

Torres said it has been part of the CNMI culture of taking care of the elderly especially those who are sick. "Both proc-

lamations go hand in hand with caregivers taking care of folks who have diabetes. Caregivers sometimes put aside their personal life for their patients."

He recalled a time when his grandfather and father were hospitalized in the mainland where doctors and nurses continuously reminded them

of the number of visitors allowed inside the room. "We really appreciate our family and friends who visited our dad and grandfather day in and day out."

Torres added that he would also take an extra effort to follow a healthy diet to lead by example. "It is not easy for us especially if the food served in parties and other gatherings tastes good. But we must take the extra effort to have a healthy lifestyle to control and prevent diabetes."

Diabetes is an illness that

can lead to amputations, blindness, kidney failure, and also contributes to heart attacks, strokes, hypertension, and cancer. The Dialysis Center of the Commonwealth Healthcare Corp. in 2012 reported a 126-percent increase in new patients that are suffering from the renal disease compared to the previous year.

Majority of patients that undergo treatment have Type II diabetes and suffer from hypertension. The high rate of cases in the CNMI just shows the need to increase effort to raise awareness and to be creative in formulating programs to combat the illness in the Commonwealth.

Caregivers, meanwhile, experience emotional and physical stress in dealing with the various responsibilities they do in taking care of their patients. The stress puts the caregiver at a higher risk for health issues.

The proclamation declaring National Family Caregivers Month aims to promote nutritious eating for the people who take care of the sick and elderly. The family caregiver must also pay attention to their own physical and mental health and get proper rest and nutrition so they could perform their duties to the best of their ability.

JON PEREZ

GAS

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\$3.91, which translates to a 25-cent increase in October.

The other gas company on island, Shell, also increased its prices yesterday—5 cents for gas and 10 cents for diesel. The two have traditionally mirrored each other's prices.

A boat captain, who usually fills up \$50 to \$60 worth of gas every week, said, "They should drop it by just a little. Not everybody is working."

Ideal Sign Production supervisor Erwin Gomez said that he wasn't really monitoring the prices of the gas until now, and he was surprised by the sudden increase.

"Before, I don't really mon-

itor the [price of] gas. It's no problem actually. Now that I am aware that gas [prices] increased, I'm surprised. I usually refill my tank every week," said Gomez.

Eli Mindanao, a father of three, said the gas price increase has affected him.

"It has a big effect on me because a full tank is usually about \$42 to \$43. Now,

it's about \$53 for a full tank. It has a big effect because of additional expenses, such as groceries, rent, and all that. Another reason is because of my children are still in school. I pick them up and drop them off to school everyday before going to work," said Mindanao.

Mindanao gets a full tank of gas a week.

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CHCC as the alternative would have been involuntary termination, which would have effectively cut off Medicaid funding that 70 percent of the hospital's patients rely on.

The Oct. 25 letter from CMS stated that the extension gives CHCC another reprieve in correcting its shortcomings related to the requirements for participation as a provider of services as per the Medicare Program established under Title XVIII

of the Social Security Act.

CHC has been out of compliance with these standards since 2011.

Since then, CHC has been working to establish itself as a public medical service provider and strives to provide such services in cooperation with CMS.

The last survey done by CMS was last Sept. 12, 2014. As of this date, CMS has yet to conduct another survey to evaluate CHC's present condition, but CHCC chief executive officer Esther Muña is confident in the efforts that the island's lone public health

center has put in to obtain CMS compliance.

"We've increased our staffing and made sure that areas that were previously not functioning are functioning. Things like that, we had to address to reduce our citations," she said. "We've gotten more training with our staff, which thoroughly discusses what the regulations mean. We've done that. From there, we've given them a plan of what we are trying to do."

The CMS funding is crucial to the daily functions of CHC. According to Muña, healthcare services in the CNMI

would be even more challenging without the CMS funding because a high percentage of the population relies on it.

"About 70 percent of people coming into CHC relies on Medicaid," said Muña.

CHC's first CMS survey yielded a result of 13 out of 24 standard conditions violated, and was declared in "Immediate Jeopardy" status. This meant that by just going into CHC, residents were risking harm, impairment, or even death.

As of Sept. 12, 2014, the last survey yielded a better result, with only seven out of 24 standard conditions violated.

contact those 13 to set a schedule for hearing, if necessary.

Hasselback confirmed that he was indeed hired as CEC's administrative hearing officer and that he is happy to do so.

"I will be studying the case file and figure out what's going on," the lawyer said.

Those 85 who have been found by CEC to be "dual voters" are still allowed to cast their votes. CEC sent them ballots because they don't want to take away their right to vote.

As CEC administrative hearing officer, Hasselback will conduct a voter removal hearings and voter challenges.

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placement is not an easy task. We have to know the candidates' background. Overall demeanor, personality, legal work, and prior cases are some of the guidelines that we set," said Torres.

Torres has kept the names of the candidates under wraps. He is expected to interview the remaining candidates.

Torres' administration has also consulted the CNMI Bar Association, and had been talking with lawyers and other members of the community in order to get good and qualified candidates on the list.

Wiseman's replacement would join Presiding Judge Robert C. Naraja, Associate Judge Joseph N. Camacho, Associate Judge Kenneth L. Govendo, and Associate Judge Teresa Kim-Tenorio on the bench.

Article IV, Section IV of the

CNMI Constitution states that a "justice or judge shall be at least 35 years of age, a citizen or national of the United States, have resided in the Commonwealth for at least five years before appointment, never have been convicted of a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude, and been a member of the Commonwealth bar for five years.

The CNMI Senate will confirm the governor's appointee and if confirmed the new judge will have a six-year term and a justice for eight years. The name of the judge or justice will then be placed on the ballot in the general election where the people would vote Yes or No to retain him or her to the post for another six-year term for a judge and eight years for a justice.

Wiseman retired as CNMI Superior Court associate judge last October. He was the longest serving Superior Court judge, being on the bench for 15 years.

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to serve as an administrative hearing officer that will review the cases of the 85 "dual voters."

CEC executive director Julita A. Villagomez and CEC administrative officer Kayla Igitol said yesterday that they anticipate many voters to show up at the opening day of the early voting—just like in the last general election.

Villagomez and Igitol reminded voters that early voting will end on Nov. 7 so there is no reason for them to all

come today, Tuesday.

Voting places for early voters will be open even on Saturday and Sunday, from 8:30pm to 4pm.

The two said Northern Island voters will be voting at the early voting and not during the Nov. 8 general election.

Igitol said "confine voters" or those who are sick or are not physically able to go to a polling place on election day should call CEC so they can also avail of early voting.

For Saipan voters, early voting will be held at the Pedro P. Tenorio Multi-Purpose Center in Susupe.

For Tinian and Rota vot-

ers, the designated polling places for early voters are the islands' Department of Public Safety buildings.

Meanwhile, CEC officials and staff had a brief meeting with Hasselback yesterday afternoon at CEC's office in Susupe.

Villagomez said Hasselback accepted the position as administrative hearing officer and will start this week looking into the case of the 85 "dual voters."

Villagomez disclosed that as of yesterday at 3:50pm, 13 of those 85 "dual voters" contacted CEC.

Villagomez said they will

screen also on the islands of Rota and Tinian.

According to Arriola, the showing of the movie, as well as other veteran-related support events, are under a new initiative called the Standing Together Initiative. The money is used to create programs for veterans and their families.

For more information about other upcoming Humanities Council events, call their office at (670) 235-4785.

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war. Sometimes I feel like we think we know everything about what someone is going through or we think their problems are just simple but it's not, especially when it comes to veterans' experiences from our recent strife in the Middle East," Arriola said.

The movie is expected to

Judge denies habitual offender's motion for mistrial

Superior Court Associate Judge Joseph N. Camacho has denied a motion by habitual offender Peter Koichi Lemei to declare a mistrial in his case that charged him with stealing a woman's purse.

Camacho ruled that a continuance of the bench trial and recall of witnesses will cure the law enforcement officer's failure to provide exculpatory evidence.

Exculpatory evidence refers to evidence favorable to the defendant in a criminal case that tends to exonerate the defendant of guilt.

Camacho acknowledged that a number of witnesses have already testified and concluded that an appropriate remedy is required.

The judge said he will allow the recall of any witnesses who have already testified in the case so that Lemei may cross-examine them about the government's witness non-identification of the defendant in photographs shown by a police officer.

In his motion for mistrial, Lemei, through assistant public defender Tillman Clark, asserted that the government suppressed evidence when a witness testified that a police detective showed her a photo lineup, but the detective denied it.

Clark argued that to allow the bench trial to proceed would sacrifice Lemei's right to due process, right to present a defense, right to a fair trial, and right to effective assistance of counsel.

It was already in the middle of a bench trial last Aug. 16 when Clark moved for mistrial for violation of his due process rights under Brady. This prompted Camacho, who presided over the trial, to suspend the proceedings

to hear the issue on Sept. 14. The bench trial was to continue yesterday, Monday.

Brady material refers to a piece of evidence known to the prosecution that is important for establishing the innocence or reducing the punishment of a defendant.

Assistant attorney general Heather Barcinas, counsel for the government, argued that since the witness is not an identification witness, her non-identification is not Brady material.

Clark argued that any non-identification by the witness could be used to impeach police detective Andrew Taimanao.

Taimanao testified that he did not remember showing the witness any photographs, and that he was surprised to learn that the witness testified that she had been shown photographs.

In denying the motion, Camacho said although the disclosure occurred during trial, the trial has been continued for over two months as a result.

Camacho said Lemei has been prejudiced by not receiving information regarding the non-identification.

Camacho said although some prejudice has been cured by the two-month continuance of the trial, the court acknowledges that two witnesses have already testified for the government, and the witness who stated she was shown photos is still on the stand, as the bench trial has been continued.

Camacho said Lemei argues that allowing the trial to proceed would require him to quickly change his trial strategy, which the court acknowledges would be difficult with multiple witnesses having already testified.

Camacho said he finds the testimony of the witness to be credible.

The judge said Taimanao does not remember showing the witness the photos.

Camacho said Taimanao failed to note the witness' non-identification in his police report, nor did he have her sign off on the photo lineup, nor did he turn this information over to the prosecutor.

Based on these facts, Camacho said, the non-identification was suppressed by the state.

Based on Taimanao's testimony, Camacho concluded that any suppression by

Taimanao was inadvertent.

"Although this suppression is inadvertent, any suppression of Brady materials is a violation, regardless of whether it was inadvertent," Camacho said.

Camacho said the non-identification could be used to potentially impeach witnesses at the bench trial.

He said Brady material includes "materials that, whatever their other characteristics, may be used to impeach a witness."

Thus, Camacho said, the non-identification involving the photo line-up is Brady material and must be provided to Lemei.

The Office of the Attorney General charged Lemei with

misdeemeanor theft for allegedly stealing a purse from a woman while she was sitting

in a friend's garage playing cards on April 10, 2016. (*Ferdie de la Torre*)



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OAG drops criminal contempt vs habitual offender

A day before a bench trial last week, the Office of the Attorney General dropped the criminal contempt of court charge against habitual offender Mario Muña Reyes.

At the OAG's request, Superior Court Associate Judge Joseph N. Camacho dismissed the case against the 47-year-old Reyes without prejudice. This means the OAG may refile the case in the future.

"The court can only hear the case and charges filed by the government," Camacho said.

Assistant attorney general Shannon R. Foley filed the motion to drop the case, saying that as a result of current plea negotiations involving Reyes, dismissal without prejudice is in the best interest of the government.

Reyes, through assistant public defender Michael Sato, did not object.

The OAG charged Reyes with criminal contempt after

authorities found last July 26 that he was allegedly staying again with his common-law wife and their children despite a bail order prohibiting him from having direct or indirect contact with them.

Last March, police arrested Reyes for allegedly beating up his two children. Reyes was arrested on charges of child abuse, assault and battery, and disturbing the peace. He was released on bail.

In July 2011, Superior Court Presiding Judge Robert C. Naraja slapped Reyes with two years and six months in prison for violating probation conditions.

"Your prior convictions are overwhelming!" Naraja told Reyes.

Then-assistant attorney general Shelli Neal described Reyes as a batterer and violent man and that placing him on probation does not work. (*Ferdie de la Torre*)

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'In Memoriam' honors WWII civilian deaths



Representatives organize wreaths around the list of deceased during the World War II memorial ceremony on Oct. 28, 2016, at the American Memorial Park.

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The Marianas Memorial Blessing and Remembrance ceremony to honor the civilians who died during World War II was held at the American Memorial Park last Friday.

The event, which is dubbed the "In Memoriam" celebration, had Northern Islands

Mayor Jerome Kaipat Aldan giving remarks to those in attendance.

"This is a great event. ...It's an annual thing that brings together the families of those listed here and it is important to always remember these folks because the freedom we have today is a result of them helping out during the war," Kaipat said.

This is the second year

that Aldan is supporting the event. He said he intends to continue attending as long as he is here in the CNMI.

When asked if other islands such as Rota and Tinian should hold their own memorial service, Aldan said, "I think that question was actually brought up in one committee meeting. I'm not going to say that it would be, in my position, a good idea but I think the best thing we can do is sit together and see how we can work these things out."

Also in attendance was "In Memoriam" essay writing contest winner Amae Reyes

and acting Saipan mayor Antonia M. Tudela, who joined Aldan in a wreath-laying ceremony to honor the civilian deaths of the Pacific War in the CNMI.

Light refreshments were served soon after the ceremony. Frankie Eliptico was the master of ceremonies.

Over 900 lives were commemorated during the ceremony, with Saipan Southern High School's JROTC assisting in the event.

Tudela extended her thanks to the event's planning committee partners, Saipan Mayor David M. Apatang, the Veterans Af-

fairs Office, the Carolinian Affairs Office, the Women's Affairs Office, Saipan and Northern Islands Municipal Council adviser William Torres, the Office on Aging, *Saipan Tribune*, *Marianas Variety*, and the staff in the municipal council for their support.

"Your presence today honors the lives that were lost during this war, and before we leave today, I ask that you continue to remember them and to continue to honor them. Because of your prayers, thoughts, and presence, they shall never be forgotten," said Tudela.



Dandan Middle School eighth graders Kianna B. Sasamoto, Joanna Caguioa, and Codie Escoto and art teacher Freddy Salavaria show off the poster they designed for the CNMI's 2016 Red Ribbon Campaign Celebration.

JON PEREZ

Anti-drug campaign draws participation of schools

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Dandan Middle School eighth graders Kianna B. Sasamoto, Joanna Caguioa, and Codie Escoto said that teenagers could avoid peer pressure to try and use illegal substances like "ice" by participating and focusing on other activities in the community.

The three students and art teacher Freddy Salavaria received the second place award in a gate decoration contest participated in by all CNMI public schools. DMS ended up tied with San Vicente Elementary School and Tanapag Middle School.

"Using drugs is not the way to fix your problems. It

doesn't fix it at all. There are other ways or outlet that you could try," said Sasamoto, who added that doing different activities would improve one's personality.

They said that not giving in to peer pressure is not an "uncool" thing. "They should mainly think of what they are going to do before they do it. 'Always remember the consequences in your future before you do it,'" said Caguioa.

They added that adults like their parents could also set an example.

The three students were part of the DMS team that decorated their gate using paper cups that they spray-painted with different colors. "Your Love is Our Love" is DMS' slogan.

Garapan Elementary School won first place with Kagman Elementary School finishing third. SVES, Rota's Sinapalo Elementary School, Tinian Elementary School, Tinian Junior Senior High School, Saipan Southern High School, and Kagman High School were also recognized.

The event was part of the CNMI's 2016 Red Ribbon Campaign Celebration, an anti-drug movement that is observed nationally. This year's theme was "YOLO or You Only Live Once: Be Drug Free" coined by Claysburg-Kimmel Elementary School in Claysburg, Pennsylvania sixth graders Kristopher Oakes and Loagan Brehm.

USS Pennsylvania arrives in Guam for port visit

APRA HARBOR, Guam—The ballistic missile submarine USS *Pennsylvania* (SSBN 735) arrived at Apra Harbor, Guam, yesterday morning for a scheduled port visit.

The U.S. routinely and visibly demonstrates commitment to allies and partners through forward presence and operations of strategic forces.

This specific visit to Guam reflects the United States' commitment to its allies in the Indo-Asia-Pacific, and complements the many exercises, training, operations, and other military cooperation activities conducted between the U.S. and its partner nations.

To deter a broad range of threats, the U.S. requires a

robust triad of strategic forces and forward deployed non-strategic nuclear forces. Ballistic missile submarines such as USS *Pennsylvania* are on patrol continuously, providing a critical, stabilizing and highly effective element of the U.S. nuclear deterrence force. (*Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs*)



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OPENING DATE: 10/19/16
CLOSING DATE: 11/03/16

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Trick or Treat 2016



A group of people, dressed up in costumes, line up to receive candy in Trunk or Treat event at the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library in Susupe.

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Adults and children gather around a Lego-themed booth to receive candy and take photos with the characters.

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People dressed up in costumes line up to receive candies from the Trunk or Treat event at the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library in Susupe.

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A volunteer for the Trunk or Treat at the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library in Susupe helps guide participants to the entry point of the event.

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One of the many participants of the Trunk or Treat event at the CPA Airport Field display their scariest setup while giving away free candy to the children.

ERWIN ENCINARES



Rotary Club volunteers queue up to give away candies to incoming Trunk or Treat guests.

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Employees of TanHoldings man their booth at the CPA Airport Field while waiting to give away free candy to children.

ERWIN ENCINARES



A man dressed up as Dracula distributes candy to a group of children.

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A woman wearing bunny ears helps hand out candy to arriving Trunk or Treat participants at the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library in Susupe.

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IT&E begins to organize their booth for giveaways.

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A woman dressed as a blue power ranger and another one with face paint gives ice keke to children.

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People make their way through the exit of the Trunk or Treat event.

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A group of children gather around to take a picture with a man dressed up as a Lego figurine.

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A woman offers extra candy to the mother of child dressed as a princess.

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Several people in costumes enter the Trunk or Treat event.

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A diverse group of people, dressed up in costumes, line up to receive candy in Trunk or Treat event.

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A little girl dressed as an Oompa Loompa plays with the caution tape during event.

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A woman smiles at the camera while her group begin to distribute candies to guests.

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A woman happily distributes candy to a child dressed up as Batman.

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Keep the bonus, soldiers: The clawback of pay should remain suspended

Government has suspended—but not ended—the clawback of re-enlistment bonuses given to thousands of current and former soldiers of the California National Guard for service in the Afghanistan and Iraq wars.

We say “government” because it is also unclear which branch of that hydra-headed beast is guilty of executing, or not taking the necessary steps to remedy, the fundamental injustice. Parties involved include the Department of Defense, the Department of the Army, the National Guard Bureau, the California National Guard and, ultimately, the only body probably able to clean up the affair definitively, the U.S. Congress. Congress is in recess until after the elections Nov. 8, back home, asking citizens to vote for them to keep their jobs.

What happened was that during the Afghanistan and Iraq wars, the first of which has been underway since 2001 and the second since 2003, America’s armed forces were having predictable problems with recruitment. What Americans were doing fighting those wars was unclear, and the economy had not yet tanked, as it did starting in 2008, with the recession. Consequently, the California National Guard, through a federal program, saw fit to offer its soldiers bonuses of thousands of dollars to re-enlist to fill the gaps.

Many of those soldiers are now being required to repay some \$22 million that was paid to them at the time apparently mistakenly. One of the problems involved in the current disastrous situation is fraud and mismanagement among California National Guard officials. Soldiers who have not reimbursed the alleged debt are subject to interest accruing, wage garnishment and tax liens.

Each of the governmental bodies involved, excluding the absent Congress, is claiming that it is unable to shut off the squeeze on America’s warriors, so they and their families in principle continue to have the thousands of dollars in debt claimed by “government” hanging over their heads as they try to live their lives. Defense Secretary Ashton Carter has suspended collection for the moment, but the issue remains unresolved and the debt to the government is partly unpaid.

There is frequently a feeling on the part of Americans that “government” is incompetent and heartless. There is clear justification for that line of thought in this piece of malevolence toward these California National Guard members. If one compares what government is doing in this situation with the elevated level of rhetoric being emitted by candidates for office about America’s warriors in the political campaign, it is simply disgusting.

Congress must fix this when it comes back from its election vacation, on an urgent basis. Soldiers who have already paid should get their money back, promptly, in full. This issue should be on top of Carter’s list, rather than some new war.

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IF GROCERY STORES HAD THE SAME LACK OF COMPETITION AS OBAMACARE PROVIDERS



Using gender as a gimmick to get elected is distasteful

Im sometimes accused of not liking women. That’s not true. Most of my favorite people have been women, starting with my grandmother, who had a third-grade education and a Harvard-pedigree heart; my mother, who could have given the Spartans at Thermopylae a run for their drachmas in the courage department, and the Mercy nuns, who essentially raised me to be loud, proud and unbowed.

Along the way, there were some wonderful men who provided insight into what it means to live a meaningful life, but I think of myself as a product of Athena, Goddess of wisdom and irony. I mean, if you jump out of your father’s head fully formed, you have to have a good sense of humor.

What I am not, and this is probably where the confusion comes in with some of my readers, is a generic cheerleader for the accomplished uterus. “Girl power,” “year of the woman,” “glass ceilings” and “sisterhood” really mean very little to me. I feel no kinship with another human being simply because we share a biology and a similar place in the societal hierarchy. My affections, and enmity, are gender neutral.

That is why Madeline Albright’s comments about there being a “special place in hell” for women who don’t help women made no sense to me. Why should a woman help a woman just because she is a woman? If we were to tell men that same thing, someone on CNN would empanel a discussion on misogyny, inequality and Donald Trump.

But you’re missing the context, Christine! This is what I get whenever I say that women evoke no special tenderness in me, no sense of particular obligation above that which I show other decent human beings. The context is supposed to be that we have been kept down for so long, abused, harassed, underpaid and forced to share ownership of our reproductive organs with Big Brother.

I don’t buy it, sisters. This is one of the reasons I am not voting for Hillary Clinton in a few days. Clinton is actually a bad example of this “gender voting” because she has actually downplayed her chromosomal makeup in blazing her exceptional (and some would say prosecutable) trail through life. Up until fairly recently, Hillary hasn’t played the girl card or made appeals to the tribal sympathies of the gals. I don’t even think of her as a woman. She is like a romance language, in that there is a masculine, a feminine and a neuter gender. Hillary’s default is neuter.

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But she is smart, and she has decided to play identity politics with her campaign ads reaching out to chubby little girls who feel put upon by a cruel society and lashing out at a surprisingly obliging Trump who continues to treat women as slabs of beef to be grabbed, seasoned and consumed (except the fatty cuts.) He has made it feasible, and very easy, for her to put on the feminist halo.

Unfortunately, Hillary is at the head of a brigade of lesser beings who are simply running on their ability to produce eggs every 28 days. I’m sorry, but you cannot tell me that Katie McGinty, Pennsylvania’s Democratic candidate for Senate, is deserving of a seat. Both of the major newspapers in Philadelphia have endorsed her with tepid praise, hoping that she will meekly go along with Hillary’s progressive agenda. Her resume is thin. She was our governor’s chief of staff for a few months, before she arguably violated ethics rules and emailed John Podesta on government time to ask his advice on running for the Senate. She was another governor’s secretary of environmental protection, and racked up a few ethics investigations during her term. She worked for Hillary’s husband in Washington at the start of her career, and is a very loyal Democrat. That is basically why she was hand-picked by the power brokers to run against the incumbent, Republican Pat Toomey. That, and the fact that she is a woman.

There are other women who are running both locally and nationally because in the year that a “nasty woman” will likely take the White House, they see their shared biology as a definite plus on the resume. I would suggest that choosing a woman for office simply because you want to balance out the gender divide is both foolish and disrespectful to women who actually care about the content of their public official’s character, not their hormonal makeup. I said this years ago, when editorial boards went ga-ga over Pennsylvania’s Attorney General Kathleen Kane. Interestingly enough, those same editorial boards were vociferous in criticizing her when her incompetence, venality and arrogance sent her to jail.

But it seems we haven’t learned from that bitter lesson. If we had, we wouldn’t be treating politics as a pie that needs to be recut to a 21st Century measure, giving the larger slices to the ladies because they were on a forced diet for so many decades.

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VIP Service shut down!

To strengthen his anti-corruption agenda, China President Xi Jinping recently outlawed VIP services for high rollers taking money out of the country for gambling abroad, according to a recent article in the *Wall Street Journal*, Asian edition.

This decision would adversely affect the Australian casino industry as it ponders where it would get VIP high rollers or those that once used junket tours. Jinping killed junket tours in Macau and forced the enclave to engage in economic diversification.

With more gambling sources on shutters from China, where would our casino industry secure its most touted high rollers? Would we send a mea culpa delegation to China and ask for exemption like we did with USCIS on CW workers? Wow! The curtain of optimism keeps descending, *di ba?* This while we ignore Nippon and Korean investments. Gee! Strange vision!

When our homogeneous (single) economy crashes in the near-term, how do we shore up more revenues for the increasing cost of public services NMI-wide? Whatever happened to vision over eyeballing our future? Friends, those at the helm must be able to see “beyond the years.”

Politics of desperation

A caller from Tinian asserted in the radio program Marianas Agupa that Mayor Joey San Nicolas would be observing the election process on Election Day. The caller is right that such an appearance would be a form of intimidation. I trust the mayor

and hope he leaves folks to vote on their own. Hope the BOE disallows such intimidation!

Moreover, the same caller asserted that Best Sunshine would be footing the expense of 20 full time employees (FTEs) on Tinian to help the dangerously failing career of its loyal lapdog, Sen. Francisco Borja.

It is also rumored that BSI would be hiring another 20 people on Rota for six months to ensure its lapdogs are elected. Reminds me how this firm used its \$10 million on utilities to shift the last gubernatorial race. It's freebies to cement its casino business.

It's easy discerning that the same evil genius is behind this scheme. I know who it is and it should be good material for an exposé. I would have no reservation reinventing the heavily soiled past of this evil genius. Listening, pal? I'll be knocking on your doors soon!

This only hardens my determination to see the sunset days of casino! And we could do it through “we the people!” Trust me, this would be our next collective agenda in 2017!

NMI's healthcare: Hawaii and Guam have successfully hired nurses and doctors from foreign countries, including the Philippines. That the two jurisdictions could do it, why can't the same be made equally applicable in the NMI?

Apparently, someone has dropped the ball by simply not walking the talk but caught dumbfounded in healthcare delivery running out of oxygen.

Isn't it true that we also send patients to St. Luke's, Asian Hospital and The Medical City in the Philippines? If doctors in these hospitals treat our critical patients why haven't anything been done to ensure they are given the opportunity to work out of CHC?

By JOHN S. DELROSARIO JR.
Special to the Saipan Tribune



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It's oxymoronic to allow them to treat our patients at their hospitals yet we prohibit them from working at CHC as physicians. Aren't they the same doctors?

Moreover, CHC is handicapped by the lack of funds to provide adequate healthcare delivery. It makes sense establishing a working relationship with foreign hospitals with superb capacity and capability to have their doctors make monthly visits to examine patients here. It used to be done with Hawaii doctors. The need is urgent and the legal hurdles must be made to assist both the hospital and most importantly, patients.

If I may reiterate: foreign doctors and nurses still fill hospitals in Guam and Hawaii. The NMI must be on the ball to hunker down on the requisite procedure to ensure CHC doesn't lose critical staff because someone ate more than his or her share of heavy bone soup and rice for lunch.

Meanwhile, it's healthy for CHC to begin exploring how the \$13 million-\$15 million we spend on medical referral be turned inward to improve medical care at home. Let's explore working relationships with hospitals in the region including the use of telemedicine.

Milking an investor

Humiliating how the evil geniuses surrounding the purchase of the MV *Luta* have allegedly schemed to increase the ante to milk the Japanese investor beyond the value of the boat.

As a member of the NMI community, I feel violated, wounded and humiliated by the callous attitude of defendants allegedly milking Mr. Takahasi Yamamoto of \$3.4 million. It's the message of deceit that sent the NMI spinning on its head as it tries to keep a straight face to other investors. What “solutions driven” of alleged greed and corruption!

Reportedly, the value of the boat skyrocketed from \$400,000 to \$3.4 million. It leaves behind some \$3 million, the disposition of which piqued my interest beyond imagination. How was this money divvied and spent and how much did each defendant pull from the scheme? Boy! This odor is overpowering even the maggots would soon begin parading in full public view.

“What a tangled web we weave when we first practice to deceive!”

At issue is the violation and perversion of trust from an investor whose interest is to help consumers on Rota benefit from any decrease in the cost of basic goods. I understand the good intention died outside Smiling Cove Marina on Saipan. It also had the NMI covering its face out of embarrassment from unscrupulous familial eggheads whose only interest are their deep pockets.

Furthermore, the reported suppression of the \$400K by defendants from Mr. Yamamoto did nothing but raise more questions of intent why deny it from their business partner. Interesting!

USING

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It is important to have a balance in public life. However, that balance should be comprised of different philosophies and views, not color, gender and sexual orientation. If diversity mattered, we would be supporting conservative women like Carly Fiorina for office, and that rarely happens. If diversity mattered, we would be praising Clarence Thomas for exceptional jurisprudence, but that rarely happens. They're not the right shade and shape of diversity.

I'm angry that feminists presume to speak for me. I'm angry that we in Pennsylvania may lose a good public servant in the Senate because it's fashionable for Miss Smith to go to Washington. I'm angry that we fabricate this historic set of moments and victories—First Female President! First Female Senator in PA!”—to exorcize this sense of gender grievance.

Because that's what this is. The stars aligned for Hillary, and she was in the right place when Athena made her celestial power grab. Katie McGinty is tagging along for the ride. This woman, who loves women but hates gimmicks, is appalled.

LITERARY NOOK

By JOEY “PEPE BATON” CONNOLLY
SPECIAL TO THE SAIPAN TRIBUNE

Part I: To an Old *Ass, His Party Being Tethered to Him

hey rich old ass stumbling in a deplorable race
I loathe the insults that come out of your face
and often peck out and post a silly sonnet
about your demagoguery and something on it
for now your partisans are all quite dismayed
retreating from egregious gaffes you have made
and just like the natural world as it unfolds
sound bytes and videos have your story told
under that golden hair do you anticipate
despite silver spoon birth your future fate
refusing still to divulge your federal taxes
so voters will never know what the fact is
does your ‘bigly’ ego feel some political pain
as Pence is forced to cover for you and explain

Part II: To an Old *Ass, With No Class

foolish ass, wouldn't it be better to show
there is one thing about diplomacy you know?
for voters fear what they hear and see
your praise of Putin and blatant bigotry
when asked a question its curve balls you send
quoting, “people I know” and “I heard from a friend”
you can't take criticism and wind up complaining
pressed on an issue you have a hard time explaining
discrimination against Mexicans and Muslims you choose
to say to African Americans “what the hell have you got to lose”
when exposed as a groper in front of your bride
its denial and more denial but there's too much to hide
your demagogic campaign will soon come to rest
as voters go to polls and Hillary Clinton is blessed

*Inspiration from Samuel Taylor Coleridge (1772-1834) poem: ‘To A Young Ass, Its mother being tethered near it’. *‘ass’ is being used here to mean a stupid, obstinate, or perverse person.*

Donald's Campaign Deletion Completion

it was a time of ‘bigly’ decisions
Trump's insults became incisions
in a deluded dark American vision

from his mouth frequent foul emissions
stump talks filled with lies and suspicions
for which he showed little contrition
at least Hillary used some erudition
many of his ideas wouldn't reach fruition
like the US border Mexican Wall fission
his denial of misogynist sexual collisions
in debate he refused to state his position
on accepting a post election results tradition
so by the time of the 2016 POTUS election
many moved away from Trump's direction

Trumpy's Capitol Hill Crying Complaint

half my money gone and I'm in debt
my IRS tax returns pile up unfilled
still Trump Empire aspirations to build
more towers. I need loans you bet
“Not indolence, nor pleasure, nor the fret
of restless passions, that would not be stilled.”
but the media, and Hillary, the strong willed
“kept me from what I may accomplish yet”.
Though not on Capitol Hill, I see the past
my lying about video clips and sound bytes
in a Capitol city where I would never last
Senate investigation committees from left and right
and be subjected to the ‘rigged media’ blast
keeps me up crying and tweeting these nights

Inspiration and quotes from Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's Mezzo Cammin, Boppard on the Rhine. Aug 25, 1842.






Rubles Burn in Trump Tax Return

is Donald Trump in bed with rich Russian commies
reports say he took billions from Russian oligarchs
he continues praising Putin and ruble rich patriarchs
still plans to deport Mexican children and mummies
why is Trump stalling on release of his tax returns
most recent POTUS candidates have all done this
what exactly does Mr. Trump want voters to miss
he's petrified what the nation's voters will learn
pollsters who take small samples put both themselves
and readers who follow at the mercy of sampling luck
voters who follow and believe all the bigoted racist and
Islamophobic theories will go for Donald J. *Upchuck
meanwhile as interested citizens are unable to learn
Russian rubles collect interest in Trump's tax return

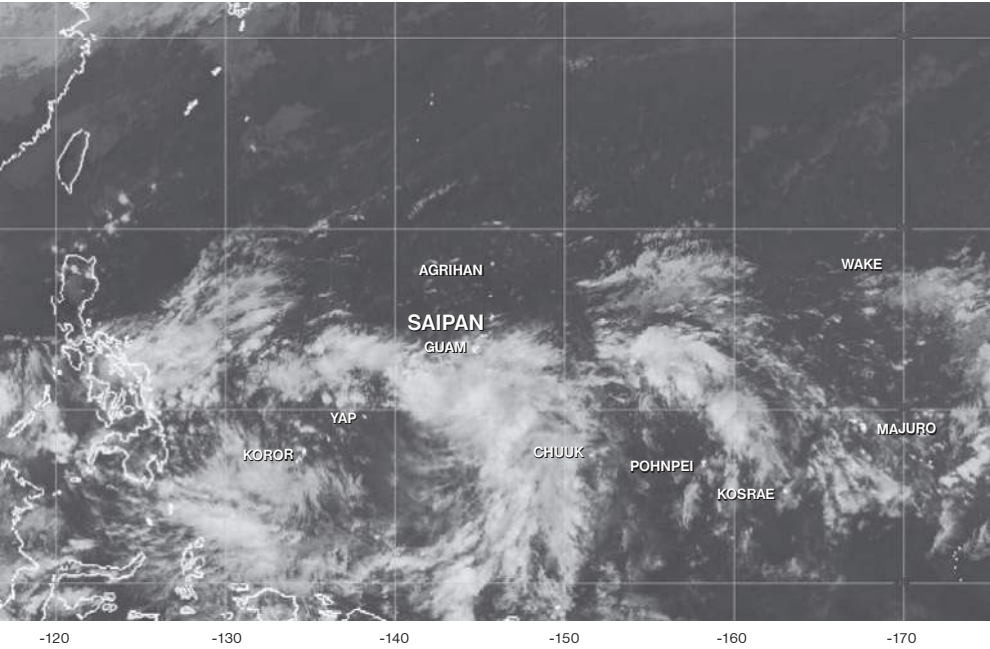
* “upchuck,” vb (1929) : Vomit

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Western North Pacific between equator and 25N from 130E to 180.

ASCAT shows the poorly-defined center of tropical disturbance 90W south of Guam near 11N145E. 90w is producing lots of disorganized deep convection mainly south of 12N, but scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms are seen on radar as far north as Saipan. Farther east, another tropical disturbance, 99W, is centered northeast of Pohnpei near 9N161E. Fresh to strong winds are present across the Marianas, with 10-11 ft seas at the buoys.

Satellite image and accompanying information are provided by the National Weather Service. For an updated weather forecast, visit the National Weather Service Guam homepage: www.prh.noaa.gov/guam/

| MICRONESIA ▼ ▲ | | |
|----------------|----------------------|------------|
| Guam and Rota | Mostly cloudy | 83 / 88 °F |
| Palau | Mostly cloudy | 81 / 87 °F |
| Yap | Partly sunny | 79 / 87 °F |
| Chuuk | Partly cloudy | 78 / 86 °F |
| Pohnpei | Partly sunny | 78 / 85 °F |
| Kosrae | Partly sunny | 82 / 87 °F |
| Majuro | Strong thunderstorms | 82 / 85 °F |

| AROUND THE GLOBE ▼ ▲ | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|------------|
| Auckland | Mostly sunny | 55 / 62 °F |
| Beijing | Morning clouds | 17 / 45 °F |
| Hong Kong | Partly sunny | 70 / 78 °F |
| Honolulu | Partly cloudy | 73 / 80 °F |
| London | Mostly sunny | 44 / 56 °F |
| Los Angeles | Partly cloudy | 55 / 69 °F |
| Manila | Light rain | 81 / 89 °F |
| Melbourne | Partly cloudy | 50 / 62 °F |
| Miami | Partly sunny | 74 / 81 °F |
| New York | Partly sunny | 40 / 57 °F |
| Osaka | Morning clouds | 50 / 64 °F |
| Paris | High level clouds | 40 / 58 °F |
| Pusan | Sunny | 39 / 51 °F |
| Rome | Partly cloudy | 44 / 67 °F |
| Salem | Cloudy | 49 / 59 °F |
| San Francisco | Morning clouds | 56 / 64 °F |
| Seoul | Mostly cloudy | 33 / 52 °F |
| Tokyo | Morning clouds | 52 / 60 °F |
| Washington, DC | Partly cloudy | 42 / 60 °F |



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- Call 234-7272 (PARA) on any telephone
- *11 on any IT&E cellular phone
- Log on to the internet at www.nmicrimestoppers.net

| TIDES: SAIPAN HARBOR TODAY | | |
|----------------------------|-----------|------------|
| 2:31 AM | LOW TIDE | -0.02 Feet |
| 9:00 AM | HIGH TIDE | 1.83 Feet |
| 2:52 PM | LOW TIDE | 0.93 Feet |
| 7:58 PM | HIGH TIDE | 1.81 Feet |

| SUNRISE / SUNSET | | |
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| Today | 6:13 AM | 5:48 PM |
| Wednesday | 6:13 AM | 5:48 PM |
| Thursday | 6:14 AM | 5:47 PM |
| Friday | 6:14 AM | 5:47 PM |
| Saturday | 6:15 AM | 5:47 PM |

| MOONRISE / MOONSET | | |
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| Wednesday | 7:59 AM | 7:43 PM |
| Thursday | 8:48 AM | 8:29 PM |
| Friday | 9:36 AM | 9:16 PM |
| Saturday | 10:25 AM | 10:06 PM |

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FLIGHT SCHEDULE AS OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2016

| DEPARTURES | | | |
|-------------------|--------|---------|---------------------|
| SAIPAN-GUAM (GUM) | | | |
| UA6394 | 4:15am | 5:05am | Daily |
| UA6392 | 8:40am | 9:30am | Daily |
| UA6391 | 1:30pm | 3:10pm | 1, 4, 5, 7 via Rota |
| UA6390 | 2:20pm | 3:10pm | 2, 3, 6 |
| UA6398 | 6:05pm | 6:55pm | Daily |
| UA6396 | 9:50pm | 10:40pm | Daily |

| SAIPAN-ROTA (ROP) | | | |
|-------------------|--------|--------|------------|
| UA6391 | 1:30pm | 2:05pm | 1, 4, 5, 7 |

| ROTA (ROP)-GUAM (GUM) | | | |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|------------|
| UA6391 | 2:35pm | 3:10pm | 1, 4, 5, 7 |

| SAIPAN-NARITA (NRT) | | | |
|---------------------|--------|--------|-------|
| DL297 | 4:20pm | 7:00pm | Daily |

| SAIPAN-SEOUL (ICN) | | | |
|--------------------|--------|--------|------------------|
| OZ626 | 2:20am | 6:00am | 1 |
| OZ626 | 2:50am | 6:30am | 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 |
| 7C3403 | 4:45am | 8:30am | Daily |
| LJ652 | 2:10pm | 6:05pm | Daily |
| 7C3401 | 4:00pm | 7:45pm | Daily |

| SAIPAN-BUSAN (PUS) | | | |
|--------------------|--------|--------|------|
| OZ608 | 3:10am | 6:20am | 4, 7 |

| SAIPAN-SHANGHAI (PVG) | | | |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|------------|
| 3U8648 | 6:10am | 8:40am | 1, 4, 5, 7 |

| SAIPAN-BEIJING (PEK) | | | |
|----------------------|--------|--------|---------|
| MU764 | 1:30am | 6:35am | 3, 5, 7 |

| SAIPAN-GUANGZHOU (CAN) | | | |
|------------------------|--------|--------|------|
| 3U8646 | 4:20am | 7:30am | 2, 6 |

| SAIPAN-MANILA (MNL) | | | |
|---------------------|--------|---------|--------------------------|
| OZ626/701 | 2:20am | 11:05am | 1 via ICN |
| OZ626/701 | 2:50am | 11:05am | 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN |
| UA6394/191 | 4:15am | 8:55am | 2, 3, 6, 7 via GUM |
| UA6394/PR111 | 4:15am | 9:15am | 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via GUM |
| PR1572 | 4:35am | 6:45am | 1, 4 |
| UA6391/183 | 1:30pm | 8:50pm | 5 via Rota-GUM |
| UA6391/183 | 1:30pm | 9:10pm | 1, 4, 7 via Rota-GUM |
| UA6391/193 | 1:30pm | 10:35pm | 5 via Rota-GUM-ROR |
| UA6390/183 | 2:20pm | 8:50pm | 2 via GUM |
| UA6390/183 | 2:20pm | 9:10pm | 3, 6 via GUM |
| UA6390/193 | 2:20pm | 10:35pm | 2 via GUM-ROR |

| SAIPAN-HONG KONG (HKG) | | | |
|------------------------|--------|---------|--------------------------|
| HX077 | 2:00am | 5:00am | 1, 4 |
| OZ626/721 | 2:20am | 11:50am | 1 via ICN |
| OZ626/721 | 2:50am | 11:50am | 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN |
| UA6391/159 | 1:30pm | 9:55pm | 1, 5 via Rota-GUM |
| UA6390/159 | 2:20pm | 9:55pm | 3, 6 via GUM |

| ARRIVALS | | | |
|-------------------|---------|--------|------------------|
| GUAM (GUM)-SAIPAN | | | |
| UA6393 | 2:45am | 3:35am | Daily |
| UA6395 | 7:15am | 8:05am | Daily |
| UA6391 | 12:10pm | 1:00pm | 1, 4, 5, 7 |
| UA6390 | 12:10pm | 1:50pm | 2, 3, 6 via Rota |
| UA6397 | 4:45pm | 5:35pm | Daily |
| UA6399 | 8:30pm | 9:20pm | Daily |

| GUAM (GUM)-ROTA (ROP) | | | |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| UA6390 | 12:10pm | 12:45pm | 2, 3, 6 |

| ROTA (ROP)-SAIPAN | | | |
|-------------------|--------|--------|---------|
| UA6390 | 1:15pm | 1:50pm | 2, 3, 6 |

| NARITA (NRT)-SAIPAN | | | |
|---------------------|---------|--------|-------|
| DL298 | 10:30am | 3:05pm | Daily |

| SEOUL (ICN)-SAIPAN | | | |
|--------------------|---------|----------|------------------|
| LJ651 | 7:30am | 1:10pm | Daily |
| 7C3402 | 9:30am | 3:00pm | Daily |
| OZ625 | 7:40pm | 1:10am+1 | 7 |
| OZ625 | 8:15pm | 1:45am+1 | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 |
| 7C3404 | 10:10pm | 3:40am+1 | Daily |

| BUSAN (PUS)-SAIPAN | | | |
|--------------------|--------|----------|------|
| OZ607 | 9:05pm | 1:55am+1 | 3, 6 |

| SHANGHAI (PVG)-SAIPAN | | | |
|-----------------------|---------|----------|------------|
| 3U8647 | 10:40pm | 5:00am+1 | 3, 4, 6, 7 |

| BEIJING (PEK)-SAIPAN | | | |
|----------------------|--------|-----------|---------|
| MU763 | 4:40pm | 12:30am+1 | 2, 4, 6 |

| GUANGZHOU (CAN)-SAIPAN | | | |
|------------------------|--------|----------|------|
| 3U8645 | 7:40pm | 3:00am+1 | 1, 5 |

| MANILA (MNL)-SAIPAN | | | |
|---------------------|---------|----------|--------------------------|
| UA190/6397 | 9:55am | 5:35pm | 2, 3, 6, 7 via GUM |
| OZ702/625 | 12:15pm | 1:10am+1 | 7 via ICN |
| OZ702/625 | 12:15pm | 1:45am+1 | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 via ICN |
| PR1571 | 9:20pm | 3:35am+1 | 3, 7 |
| UA192/6395 | 9:45pm | 8:05am+1 | 2, 5 via ROR-GUM |
| PR110/UA6395 | 10:05pm | 8:05am+1 | 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via GUM |
| UA184/6395 | 10:25pm | 8:05am+1 | 1, 3, 4, 6, 7 via GUM |
| UA184/6395 | 11:30pm | 8:05am+1 | 2, 5 via GUM |

| HONG KONG (HKG)-SAIPAN | | | |
|------------------------|--------|-----------|--------------------------|
| OZ722/625 | 1:10pm | 1:10am+1 | 7 via ICN |
| OZ722/625 | 1:10pm | 1:45am+1 | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 via ICN |
| HX076 | 5:30pm | 12:30am+1 | 3, 7 |
| UA116/6395 | 9:55pm | 8:05am+1 | 1, 3, 5, 6 via GUM |

LEGEND: Days: Monday (1), Tuesday (2), Wednesday (3), Thursday (4), Friday (5), Saturday (6) and Sunday (7); 3U: Sichuan Airlines; MU: China Eastern; UA: United Airlines; DL: Delta Airlines; OZ: Asiana; 7C: Jeju Air; HX: Hong Kong Airlines; LJ: Jin Air; ETD: Estimated Time of Departure;ETA: Estimated Time of Arrival. The Saipan Tribune is not responsible for any changes in the schedule.)

STAR MARIANAS AIR, INC.

| TINIAN TO SAIPAN | | | 6:30PM | 6:45PM | Daily | 6:00PM | 6:15PM | Daily |
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| DEPARTURE | ARRIVAL | FREQUENCY | 6:30PM | 6:45PM | Daily | SAIPAN TO TINIAN | | |
| 6:30AM | 6:45AM | Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat | SAIPAN TO TINIAN | | | DEPARTURE | ARRIVAL | FREQUENCY |
| 7:30AM | 7:45AM | Daily | 7:00AM | 7:15AM | Daily | 7:45AM | 8:15AM | Mon, Tues,Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat |
| 8:30AM | 8:45AM | Daily | 8:00AM | 8:15AM | Daily | 4:00PM | 4:30PM | Mon, Tues,Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat |
| 9:30AM | 9:45AM | Daily | 9:00AM | 9:15AM | Daily | ROTA TO SAIPAN | | |
| 10:30AM | 10:45AM | Daily | 10:00AM | 10:15AM | Daily | DEPARTURE | ARRIVAL | FREQUENCY |
| 11:30AM | 11:45AM | Daily | 11:00AM | 11:15AM | Daily | 8:30AM | 9:00AM | Mon, Tues,Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat |
| 12:30NN | 12:45NN | Daily | 12:00NN | 12:15NN | Daily | 4:45PM | 5:15PM | Mon, Tues,Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat |
| 1:30PM | 1:45PM | Daily | 1:00PM | 1:15PM | Daily | | | |
| 2:30PM | 2:45PM | Daily | 2:00PM | 2:15PM | Daily | | | |
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| 5:30PM | 5:45PM | Daily | 5:00PM | 5:15PM | Daily | | | |

BSI outreach team is recognized for contributions

By **MICHAEL SANTOS**
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REPORTER

The Legislature issued separate resolutions that recognized the work of Imperial Pacific International's Corporate Social Responsibility since its inception a year ago. Lawmakers on Saturday evening presented the twin resolutions during the appreciation dinner Imperial Pacific hosted for its employees at the Kilili Pavilion.

IPI is the mother company of Best Sunshine International, Ltd., the exclusive Saipan casino licensee that operates Best Sunshine Live at the T Galleria and is building the Grand Mariana Resort and Hotel in downtown Garapan.

IPI chief operating officer

Yiu Ling Kwong led company executives in receiving the recognition while Sen. Sixto Igisomar (R-Saipan) represented the upper chamber in presenting Senate Resolution 19-55 to IPI.

"The CSR team is admired for employing residents from the Commonwealth that call these islands home who take time in the work they do for all their hard work, dedication, and commitment as a member of the CSR team," the Senate said.

Reps. Angel Demapan (R-Saipan), George Camacho (R-Saipan), and John Paul Sablan (R-Saipan) represented the lower chamber in presenting House Commemorative Resolution 19-28.

"[The House of Representa-

tives] congratulates the Corporate Social Responsibility team of Imperial Pacific International, LLC on their first year anniversary in providing good-hearted services and to recognize their extraordinary contributions to the communities throughout the CNMI," the House said.

It was in the immediate aftermath of Typhoon Soudelor in August 2015 when IPI's CSR team was created. Last Saturday, close to 500 employees of Best Sunshine International gathered for its employee appreciation party.

Geri Dela Cruz, executive director for CSR, said, "The company wanted to do something special and appreciate the employees for all the hard work they've done. We've

celebrated one year of operations and we wanted to do something that rewarded and showed our appreciation to our employees."

Don Brown, senior vice president of operations, has been working with IPI for

about two years. "It's one way we can show appreciation to our employees. I mean every day at work, no matter how many times we pat them on the back and give them support, these are the things when people can

actually feel connected outside of work."

Also at the event, IPI employee Ralph Kervy Rana won the raffle grand prize of \$500. Presenting the grand prize, as well as other raffle winnings, was Yiu Ling Kwong.



Imperial Pacific International chief operating officer Yiu Ling Kwong, right, presents IPI employee Ralph Kervy Rana, left, the grand prize during their employee appreciation dinner on Oct. 29, 2016.

IPI STAFF

NMC search for board chair underway

The Northern Marianas College Board of Regents just recently lost its board chair and is already in the process of looking for possible prospects.

NMC president Dr. Carmen Fernandez proposed during a board meeting last Oct 28 that a "Regent Nominating Committee" be started in order to select the most capable of applicants. The nominee's name will be presented to Gov. Ralph DLG Torres, who has the final say

on who gets appointed as board chair.

The committee will consist of nine members—with one member each from the Board of Regents, NMC College Council, NMC Faculty Senate, NMC Associated Students, NMC Staff Senate, and NMC Alumni Association—all dedicated to the recruiting, evaluating, and nominating of qualified candidates for membership in the NMC Board of Regents.

Two members of the community, both not a government employee nor NMC employee, shall be appointed by the Regent Nominating Committee.

The last member would be a rotation of the mayors, which is to be appointed by the mayor's council.

The committee is required to submit at least one to three qualified candidates to present to the governor. (*Erwin Encinares*)

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Calling all Vietnam veterans

This is to inform all Vietnam veterans that if you are on active duty from Nov. 1, 1955, to July 25, 1975, you are considered a Vietnam veteran regardless of location. Meeting that was held on Oct. 28, 2016, at Veterans of Foreign Wars at 6pm will have a make-up date on Nov. 7, 2016, at the same place and same time. This meeting will discuss the upcoming Veteran's Day ceremony, which includes the issuance of the lapel pin and other recognition. Should you have any question, call Mac Chagualaf at 285-1948 or call the Saipan's Mayor's Office 234-6208. Please leave your name and contact number. (*PR*)

BECQ Brigade eyes Tank Beach

The Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality's Cleanup Brigade will be picking up trash at the Tank Beach in Kagman on Saturday, Nov. 5, 2016, at 8am. If you would like to volunteer, meet the BECQ representatives on Saturday at the Tank Beach parking lot at 8am. Volunteers will split into groups and clean until 10am and break for drinks and then continue, if needed. This month, outstanding brigade

volunteers who participated in at least 10 monthly cleanups will receive a brigade cap and those who participated in at least three cleanups will receive a brigade T-shirt. For more information about volunteering, contact the BECQ office at 664-8500/1. (*BECQ*)

Volunteers sought for AMP's 2nd Day of Service

The American Memorial Park is inviting the community to participate in the park's second Day of Service on Saturday, Nov. 5, 2016, from 7am to 10am. Volunteers are needed to assist in a number of projects including weeding, raking, and picking up trash. Sign up outside the American Memorial Park Visitor Center. Bring a water bottle, closed-toed shoes, hat and sunscreen. To learn more about this event or other happenings at the park, contact Ranger Brooke Nevitt at 234-7207 x 2020 or email brooke_nevitt@nps.gov. (*NPS*)

Family grief support group to meet on Nov. 3

The Compassionate Friends of Saipan will be holding their monthly grief support meeting on Thursday, Nov. 3, from 6pm to 7:30pm, in the

NMPASI conference room on Middle Road, in Gualo Rai. For more information, e-mail tcfSaipan@gmail.com or call Donna Krum (783-1900). To learn more about The Compassionate Friends, visit their website at www.compassionatefriends.org. (*TCF*)

WAP program now accepting applicants

The Department of Public Works' Energy Division, Weatherization Assistance Program for low income residents on Saipan, Tinian, and Rota is now accepting applications on a first come, first serve basis. Individuals wishing to avail of this program may obtain an application for service at the Energy Division on Capitol Hill building No. 1337 on Saipan. For Tinian and Rota, applicants can pick up applications at the Tinian or Rota Mayor's Office or you may download applications from our website at www.cnmienergy.com. If you have any questions regarding this program, do not hesitate to contact program manager Christine Babaut or Eugene C. Borja, auditor, at 664-4481; Monday through Friday, except holidays, from 7:30am to 11:30am and from 12:30pm to 4:30pm. (*PR*)

CRIME OF THE WEEK

Purse snatching at XO Market

Crime Stoppers is seeking the public's help for a purse snatching incident that occurred at XO Market, Chalan Pale Arnold Road, Chalan Laulau.

A little after midnight, early Wednesday morning, Oct. 28, 2016, at about 12:02am, police responded to an incident and found the victim, a 38-year-old Asian female, with dirt on the left side of her body and clothing. The victim had injuries on her face, arms and hands. Police learned from the victim that she was walking from the Party Poker Arcade located on the south side of XO Market building. As the victim was approach-

ing the XO Market entrance, she was attacked by the suspect. The suspect—described as a large male, wearing dark clothing, his face covered with a cloth—stepped out of the front passenger side of a dark colored sedan.

The suspect pulled the purse from the victim's arm causing her to fall down. The suspect dragged the victim several feet on the ground until she let go of the purse. The suspect got back into his vehicle, described as a dark colored sedan with the last two digits "55" on the rear license plate. The car exited the parking lot and drove north on Chalan Pale Arnold

Road. Witnesses could only describe the last two digits of the license plate. The victim received minor injuries and refused transport and further treatment by Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services. The stolen items include a gold colored purse containing the victim's bank card, and about \$200 cash.

The Department of Public Safety and Crime Stoppers need your help. Please contact the Crime Stoppers hotline at 234-7272 should you want to remain anonymous or use our website at www.nmicrimestoppers.net Crime stoppers pays up to \$1,000 for any information leading to an arrest. It pays to call. (*NMI Crime Stoppers*)

2 tropical disturbances this week

Based on information received from the National Weather Service in Tiyan, Guam, and compiled at the CNMI Emergency Operations Center-State Warning Point, a tropical disturbance centered 145 miles south of Guam on Monday morning will continue to move west, remaining south of Guam. A second disturbance farther east will affect the islands around midweek.

Tropical disturbances will be affecting the Marianas this week.

The first disturbance south of Guam will continue to produce showers and isolated thunderstorms over the Marianas through tonight. These showers may bring locally

heavy rain and wind gusts of 30 to 35 mph. After the disturbance passes the Marianas, scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms could persist through Thursday as the second disturbance to the east approaches the area. These systems will continue to be monitored over the next few days as they continue to move westward.

Over coastal waters, winds will gust as high as 35 knots, with seas of around 12 feet. A small advisory and high surf advisory are now effect and could be extended.

Halloween trick or treaters should be prepared for these wet and sometimes windy conditions. Be aware of current

conditions if you are planning any outdoor or marine activities.

While this disturbance is not expected to bring tropical storm conditions to the Marianas, the EOC is advising residents of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota to maintain necessary precautionary measures for possible gusty strong winds and heavy rain showers and to also stay informed on the latest statements and advisories which will be available through local media sources and NOAA weather radio broadcast on 162.5 megahertz, or call CNMI EOC state warning point at 237-8000 or 664-8000, and for the northern islands to contact CNMI EOC state warning point at high frequency single side band radio on frequency 5.205.0. (*EOC*)

Business

Small-time Airbnb hosts say NY law unfairly targets them

NEW YORK (AP)—Jordan Reeves works for a nonprofit and his partner is a puppeteer. They say there's not a lot of spare income floating around their Brooklyn apartment. That's why they sometimes rent the place through Airbnb for extra cash when they're not there.

But a new law that carries fines of up to \$7,500 for certain kinds of short-term listings is causing headaches for many Airbnb hosts, including Reeves, who say they are getting unfairly swept up in a measure that's more aimed at commercial operators who turn multiple apartments into, essentially, illegal hotels.

"Nobody wants illegal hotels ... It seems as though we're in the same bucket as the people who are taking advantage of the situation," Reeves said, as he and a group of other hosts gathered across the street from Gov. Andrew Cuomo's office last week to protest the law.

Signed by Cuomo, a Democrat, on Oct. 21, the law is one of the toughest in the country against Airbnb and other home-sharing platforms. It levies hefty fines against owners or tenants who offer to let others rent out their entire living space for less than 30 days,



something that's been illegal in New York for several years but didn't previously carry such penalties. Under the new law, people can still rent out portions of their living spaces, like a single bedroom or a couch, for less than 30 days. It also doesn't apply to some dwellings, like single-family homes or row houses.

Airbnb protested the law, saying New York was rewarding the hotel industry at the expense of New Yorkers, and has filed a lawsuit against it.

Supporters of the law said it was necessary, that some prop-

erty owners take apartments that could be homes for city residents out of circulation to make them short-term visitor rentals, hurting both the city's hotels and its housing market.

State Attorney General Eric Schneiderman's office conducted an investigation of Airbnb rentals from 2010 to 2014. It found that 72 percent of the units listed in New York City were illegal, and that 36 percent of rentals came from commercial operators who made up only 6 percent of hosts.

Eileen Guo, a Queens resident who has used Airbnb to

rent out her studio apartment, said that while the industry needed to be regulated, "there needs to be a distinction, people that live in our homes and also use it for side income and people who are doing it purely for profit." She said the law would limit her already oc-

Protestors gather outside of New York Governor Andrew Cuomo's office on third avenue Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2016, in New York.

casional use of the platform, to times when she knew she would be able to offer it for more than 30 days.

Jenny Douglas went the other way—changing the wording on her listing to make it clear of anyone looking that her Brooklyn apartment, on the garden level of her single-family home, wasn't covered by the law and available for short stays.

"Oh my gosh, I was a little panicked," she said, before she did some digging and realized the law didn't apply to her. But she was concerned potential renters, hearing about the law, would be reluctant to look at New York City listings, so she made the change.

"I wouldn't want them to feel anxious that they might

come here and the door might be padlocked," she said.

While Douglas said she hoped the law Cuomo signed wouldn't be the last word on the subject, she did think it was an issue that needs to be figured out. "It feels like this probably needed to happen in order for us to look at what we're dealing with."

Michaela Hall, who used Airbnb to find a last-minute place to stay when she came to New York City last month, said she was concerned about the impact of the law on prices. She prefers to rent out entire apartments with the residents gone, as opposed to sharing a portion of a home with the tenant there.

If there are going to be fewer entire apartment listings, and less competition, "then people will probably raise their prices a little bit," the Maryland woman said. "Hopefully they won't go too high so that I'm not saving anything over reserving a hotel room."

Bangladesh telecoms caught up in \$500M tax row

DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP)—By government accounts, four foreign-backed cellphone operators owe \$500 million to Bangladesh in unpaid taxes. By the companies' accounts, the figure is closer to \$50 million—if it isn't zero.

As the legal row drags into its fourth year without resolution, telecommunications analysts warn it is putting pressure on the industry that is Bangladesh's single largest source of revenue, providing \$1.43 billion in tax revenues in 2015.

Government regulators say the companies broke the law by selling old SIM cards without properly notifying regulators, and then failed to pay taxes on those sales from July 2009 and December 2011. They also allege the companies concealed customer information to obscure the issue,

according to government legal documents on the case.

The four companies—Norwegian Telenor's subsidiary Grameen Phone; Egypt's Orascom Telecom's Banglalink; Robi, the Malaysian-Japanese joint venture Robi Axiata Ltd.; and India's Bharti Airtel's subsidiary Airtel—have rejected the government's demands, taking the claim to the tax appellate tribunal.

Both the government and its tax authority refused comment while the case is still under court review.

Industry experts say the standoff may alienate companies and spook investors in this country of 160 million people. British-based Vodafone is facing a similar case in India, where authorities want \$2.5 billion in back taxes from an asset purchase done before In-

dian legislation in 2012 made such deals subject to taxation.

Most of the 128 million mobile-phone subscribers in Bangladesh are customers of one of the four private companies involved in the tax dispute.

"The government must think of the issue from the point of view that this is the largest foreign investment sector in the country," said T.I.M. Nurul Kabir, who heads the Association of Mobile Telecom Operators of Bangladesh lobbying consortium. "The industry is suffering for this dispute."

Telecoms companies and their investors are growing more cautious about building a rural cellphone network, said Abu Saeed Khan, a Bangladeshi telecommunication expert who works as a senior policy fellow of the Colombo-based LIRNEasia think tank.

UK official offers support for Bank of England governor

LONDON (AP)—Britain's business secretary is offering support for Bank of England Gov. Mark Carney amid speculation he'll soon decide whether to serve a full-eight year term.

Greg Clark told the BBC on Sunday that Carney "has done a tremendous job, a fantastic job."

Those who campaigned for Britain to leave the European Union have taken issue with Carney because of his stark warnings about the impact of Brexit on the economy. Speculation about his future increased this weekend after British newspapers suggested he could go.

Carney, a Canadian who took office in 2013, has promised to serve until June 30, 2018, with an option for three more years. He told a House of Lords committee Tuesday the decision about his contract would be "entirely personal," not a reflection on government policy.

Q: My boss recently informed us that his son "Kyle" will be working here as an intern for several months. He then announced that Kyle will be reporting to me. This seems to have put me in a very uncomfortable position.

Apparently, my boss sweet-talked our CEO into approving this arrangement, so Kyle's internship is a done deal. However, I have considered going to human resources to express my concerns about supervising my manager's son. What do you think about this?

A: Since most people find it impossible to be objective about relatives, well-run companies do not allow managers to oversee their family members. So when this decision was made, your malleable CEO was not thinking too clearly. The good news for you, however, is that at least Kyle's tenure appears to be time-limited.

Instead of taking your concerns to HR, try to head off potential problems by clarifying expectations with your boss. Your objective in this discussion is not to complain but to agree on the type of internship sonny-boy should have.

For example: "Since Kyle will be interning with me, I would like to get your opinion about the most useful assignments for him and the best way to give him feedback. After he starts work, I can give you regular updates on his progress and see if you

Boss' son will be my intern

YOUR OFFICE COACH

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have any suggestions."

Agreeing with your manager on appropriate tasks automatically invalidates any complaints from Kyle about his work. Establishing a feedback process will allow you to actually supervise his performance. And arranging for progress reports insures that your boss will hear your perspective as well as his son's.

But remember that this scenario also has a positive side. If you and Kyle hit it off, your management skills might get a glowing review. So if you have an ounce of political intelligence, you will make every effort to see that this internship goes well.

Q: Our office shares a building with another business that has heavy seasonal demands. During busy periods, their employees occasionally come over to use our computers. Because this crowds the office and disrupts our routine, I have asked them to stop doing this.

These people are always

very apologetic, but the interruptions continue. Although I have mentioned this to my boss, he travels a lot and, therefore, doesn't see the problem. What should I do?

A: Since you apparently lack the authority to resolve this issue, "mentioning" it to your boss will not be sufficient. Instead, you should explain how these interlopers are affecting your work, then propose a solution and request permission to implement it.

For example: "When employees from next door take over our computers, we have trouble getting our own work done. I would like to tell them that this is no longer convenient and then password-protect the computers to limit their availability. Would that be OK with you?"

If your manager agrees, problem solved. But if he's reluctant to cut off their access, perhaps he will at least allow you to ban the drop-ins and require scheduled visits.

Nation

Official: FBI obtains warrant to search newly found emails

WASHINGTON (AP)—The FBI has obtained a warrant to begin reviewing newly discovered emails that may be relevant to the Hillary Clinton email server investigation, a law enforcement official told The Associated Press on Sunday.

FBI investigators want to review emails of longtime Clinton aide Huma Abedin that were found on a device seized during an unrelated sexting investigation of Anthony Weiner, a former New York congressman and Abedin's estranged husband.

The official, who has knowledge of the examination, would not say when investigators might complete the review of Abedin's emails but said they would move expeditiously.

The Clinton email inquiry, which closed without charges in July, resurfaced suddenly on Friday when FBI Director James Comey alerted members of Congress to the existence of emails that he said could be pertinent to that investigation.

The FBI wants to review

the emails to see if they contain classified information and were handled properly, which was also the focus of the earlier Clinton inquiry.

Separately Sunday, another law enforcement official said FBI investigators in the Weiner sexting probe knew for weeks about the existence of the emails potentially related to the probe of Clinton's server. A third law enforcement official also said FBI agents were aware of the emails for a period of time before Comey alerted Congress, but wasn't more specific.

In his letter that roiled the White House race, Comey said he'd been briefed on Thursday about the Abedin emails and had agreed that investigators should take steps to review them.

It was not immediately clear Sunday what steps investigators took once the emails were first found to fully advise FBI leaders that additional and potentially relevant messages had been discovered.

The officials were not authorized to discuss the matter



AP
In this Dec. 9, 2015 file photo, FBI Director James Comey prepares to testify on Capitol Hill in Washington.

Lourdes Baird, who were appointed by Republican presidents. And Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., wrote to Comey saying the action may have violated a law that generally restricts the political activities of federal employees.

Clinton's use of a private email server while secretary of State has dogged her campaign since early last year. In July, Comey recommended against criminal prosecution after a months-long investigation, but rebuked Clinton and her aides for being careless with classified material.

Justice Department officials who were advised of the FBI's intention to notify Congress about the discovery expressed concern that the action would be inconsistent with department protocols designed to avoid the appearance of interference in an election. Comey acted independently when he sent several members of Congress a letter about the emails on Friday, said one of the officials.

by name and spoke on condition of anonymity.

The timing of Comey's letter less than two weeks before Election Day drew criticism from Democrats and some Republicans who cast it as unprecedented and as potentially tipping the scales in the presidential race in favor of Republican Donald Trump.

Energized by the news, the GOP presidential nominee has rallied his supporters, calling the latest developments worse than Watergate and arguing that his candida-

cy has the momentum in the final days of the race.

"We never thought we were going to say 'thank you' to Anthony Weiner," Trump said in Nevada.

Trump also highlighted reports that the Justice Department had discouraged the FBI from alerting Congress to the unexpected discovery of the emails, and said the department is trying "so hard" to protect Clinton.

Comey told FBI colleagues in a memo Friday that he was aware the letter to Congress

was at risk of being misunderstood, but he said he felt obligated to notify lawmakers about the new emails after having told them that the matter was closed.

"I also think it would be misleading to the American people were we not to supplement the record," Comey wrote.

Dozens of former federal prosecutors, including former Attorney General Eric Holder, have signed a letter critical of Comey's decision. Among them were Donald B. Ayer, Larry D. Thompson and

Clinton says she won't be 'knocked off course' in final week

WILTON MANORS, Fla. (AP)—Hillary Clinton vowed Sunday that she would not be "knocked off course" in the election's final days, as she sought to push past a new FBI email inquiry in a sexting probe that delivered a late jolt to her race against Republican Donald Trump.

"I'm not stopping now, we're just getting warmed up," Clinton declared during a packed rally with gay and lesbian supporters in battleground Florida. "We're not going to be distracted, no matter what our opponents

throw at us."

Meanwhile, Trump continued to spread baseless doubts about the integrity of the American voting system, this time taking aim at Colorado's vote-by-mail system. Suggesting that mailed-in ballots might not be properly counted, Trump told supporters at a Greeley rally to vote in person instead of relying on the state's mail-in system—even if they've already submitted their ballots.

"They will give you a ballot, a new ballot," he said. "They'll void your old ballot

and give you a new ballot and you can go ahead and make sure it gets in. Now in some places they probably do that four or five times. We don't do that. But that's great."

Clinton's advisers and fellow Democrats pressured FBI Director James Comey anew to release more details about the emails, including whether Comey had even reviewed them himself. The message was aimed at gathering more information about what the bureau is seeking from a computer that appears to belong to disgraced for-

mer New York Rep. Anthony Weiner, the estranged husband of Huma Abedin, one of Clinton's closest advisers.

A law enforcement official confirmed late Sunday investigators had obtained a search warrant to begin the review of Abedin's emails on Weiner's computer. The official has knowledge of the investigation, but was not authorized to speak publicly and did so on condition of anonymity. The official said investigators would move expeditiously, but would not say when the review might be complete.

4 states to weigh tougher gun control in Nov. 8 election

By RYAN J. FOLEY
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The last time voters in Maine were asked about gun rights, they easily passed a constitutional amendment creating a right to own firearms that "shall never be questioned."

Three decades later, the state known for its hunting tradition will vote on whether to tighten restrictions on gun sales and transfers.

Maine is one of four states, along with California, Nevada and Washington, where voters will decide Nov. 8 whether to

enact tougher firearms laws. In a change from past elections, there are no statewide initiatives seeking to expand gun rights anywhere in the U.S.

The presence of so many ballot questions in the same year reflects the strategy, growing power and deep pockets of gun-control supporters, who are outspending opponents in all four states. They hope passage of the proposals shows widening support for more measures designed to keep firearms away from dangerous people.

In Maine and Nevada, a group founded by former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg has spent millions advocating for background checks on nearly all gun sales and transfers. Supporters want to close gaps in the federal system that allow ineligible felons, domestic abusers and the mentally ill to buy firearms from private sellers at gun shows and online without a background check.

"I do call it a movement. People are really getting fed up with all the violence," said Judi Richardson, 57, of South

Portland, Maine, who gathered signatures to help place the initiative on the ballot.

Her 25-year-old daughter, Darien, was fatally shot in 2010 during a home invasion that remains unsolved. The investigation hit a dead-end because the handgun used to kill her was bought without a background check from a seller who told police he did not know the buyer's name. Richardson said the Maine initiative would help reduce gun violence by making firearms harder to access and easier to trace.

ACROSS THE NATION

17 injured after church van, SUV collide on NC highway

STOKESDALE, N.C. (AP)—A van carrying a Virginia church group crashed into an SUV that crossed into its lane on a North Carolina highway early Sunday, sending 17 people to hospitals, the State Highway Patrol said. The injured ranged in age from a one month to 90-years-old, and two had to be flown by emergency helicopter for hospital treatment, the State Highway Patrol said. There were no fatalities as of Sunday afternoon. Fifteen of those hurt were aboard a rented van carrying members of a Jehovah's Witness congregation from Martinsville, Virginia, to Salisbury, North Carolina, troopers said in a news release. The van was traveling southwest on U.S. Highway 158 near Stokesdale at around 7 a.m. when a northbound Chevrolet Blazer crossed the road's centerline, troopers said.

3 bodies found in front of home in rural Kansas

NEWTON, Kan. (AP)—Police say the bodies of three people have been found in front of a home in a rural area near Newton, Kansas. The Newton Police Depart-

ment says in a news release posted on Facebook that the bodies were found after a call from a motorist. When police arrived the three bodies were found, as well as an 18-month-old child, who was not harmed. No suspects have been located. Police say the names of the deceased will not be released until family is notified. The area where they were found is about 30 miles northwest of Wichita in Harvey County.

LA police chief injured in off-road motorcycle accident

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Authorities say Los Angeles police Chief Charlie Beck has fractured his pelvis in an off-road motorcycle accident. The city's police department said in a statement on Sunday that Beck was riding in the Tehachapi Mountains north of Los Angeles with friends Saturday when he fell on a rocky trail. Police say Beck was able to ride back to his truck and went to the hospital after driving home. The statement says Beck may have surgery on Monday and is expected to return to the office within a week. Beck is an avid off-road motorcycle rider. He says he is in contact with police commanders as he recuperates.

Asia

South Korean protesters call for president to step down

SEOUL, South Korea (AP)—Thousands of South Koreans took to the streets of the capital on Saturday calling for increasingly unpopular President Park Geun-hye to step down over allegations that she let an old friend, the daughter of a religious cult leader, interfere in important state affairs.

The evening protest came after Park ordered 10 of her senior secretaries to resign over a scandal that is likely to deepen the president's lame duck status ahead of next year's election.

Holding candles and signs reading "Who's the real president?" and "Park Geun-hye step down," the protesters marched through downtown Seoul after holding a candle-light vigil near City Hall. Police estimated that about 12,000 people turned out for the biggest anti-government demonstration in Seoul in months.

"Park has lost her authority as president and showed she doesn't have the basic qualities to govern a country," Jae-myung Lee, from the opposition Minjoo Party and the mayor of the city of Seongnam, told the protesters from a stage.

Park has been facing calls to reshuffle her office and Cabinet



AP
South Koreans shout slogans during an anti-president rally in downtown Seoul, South Korea, Saturday, Oct. 29, 2016.

after she acknowledged on Tuesday that she provided longtime friend Choi Soon-sil drafts of her speeches for editing. Her televised apology sparked intense criticism about her mismanagement of national information and a heavy-handed leadership style that many see as lacking in transparency.

There's also media speculation that Choi, who holds no government job, meddled in government decisions on personnel and policy and exploited her ties with Park to misappropriate funds from nonprofit organizations.

Prosecutors on Saturday widened their investigation by searching the homes of presi-

dential officials suspected of interacting with Choi and receiving their office files from the Blue House—the presidential office and residence. Prosecutors had previously summoned some of Choi's key associates and raided their homes and workplaces, as well as the offices of two nonprofit foundations Choi sup-

posedly controlled.

The saga, triggered by weeks of media reports, has sent Park's approval ratings to record lows, and the minority

opposition Justice Party has called for her to resign. The Minjoo Party, a larger opposition party that has refrained from calling for Park's resignation over fears of negatively affecting next year's presidential election, said Park's decision to shake up her secretariat was too little, too late, and called for stronger changes, including the reshuffling of her Cabinet.

Park's aides on the way out include Woo Byung-woo, senior presidential secretary for civil affairs, and Ahn Jong-beom, senior secretary for policy coordination. Lee Won-jong, Park's chief of staff, tendered his resignation on Wednesday.

Woo has been blamed for failing to prevent Choi from influencing state affairs and has also been embroiled in separate corruption allegations surrounding his family.

US calls on China to cut coal imports propping up N. Korea

BEIJING (AP)—A senior U.S. official urged China on Saturday to work with the U.S. to close a loophole on North Korean coal imports that Washington believes has been critical to propping up the isolated country's finances.

Deputy Secretary of State Antony Blinken said in Beijing ahead of talks with Chinese officials that Chinese coal imports from North Korea contributed to \$1 billion in revenue for Pyongyang last year. The U.S. has been seeking new U.N. sanctions to sty-

mie North Korea's economy and force leader Kim Jong Un into abandoning his nuclear and missile programs.

North Korea has conducted two nuclear tests and 24 missile tests this year, demonstrating its progress toward its stated goal of being able to strike the U.S. with nuclear-tipped weapons.

China remains the North's only ally and a vital source of hard currency the regime needs for weapons development. An estimated 90 percent of North Korea's trade passes through China.

Beijing agreed in April to halt coal and mineral imports as part of new U.N. sanctions against the North, but carved out a humanitarian exemption, saying it would still buy coal if the sales are proven to support the livelihood of the North Korean people.

Blinken told reporters on Saturday that China's imports have in fact gone up.

"Their approach has been that the trade in coal is allowed unless you can demonstrate that it goes to the weapons program," Blinken said, calling it a reversal of the premise

of the humanitarian clause.

Although the U.S. and China share a commitment to denuclearizing North Korea, efforts to cooperate have been strained this year by South Korea's decision to deploy an advanced U.S. missile defense system, the Terminal High-Altitude Area Defense, or THAAD, to detect incoming strikes from the North. The move deeply angered China, which says the radars have a secondary motive of allowing the U.S. to peer deep into Chinese territory and undermine its security.

Pakistani police, opposition supporters clash in Islamabad

ISLAMABAD (AP)—Pakistani riot police Sunday used tear gas and batons to fight stone throwing supporters of cricketer-turned-politician Imran Khan, seizing weapons and detaining hundreds of people when they attempted to reach Islamabad for an anti-government rally scheduled next week.

The clashes have been taking place intermittently since Friday, when the government imposed a ban on all rallies and protests in the capital. They erupted again on Sunday near Khan's suburban home

and at several places on the outskirts of the capital. Khan has vowed to lock down Islamabad on Nov. 2 to demand the resignation of Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif.

"The message we're getting is that they're going to block Islamabad," Pakistan's Interior Minister Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan told a news conference. He alleged the opposition party had plans to storm into Pakistan's secretariat, the main government office.

He said the government will not let anyone disrupt

life in the capital. "This is my responsibility that schools remain open and people go to their offices," he said.

Imran Khan in 2014 held a months-long sit-in protest outside Pakistan's parliament in Islamabad to force Sharif to quit, alleging that the premier had rigged the 2013 elections.

The former cricket star suspended his party's protests after a Taliban attack in December that year in Peshawar killed 150 people, mostly school children.

Khan said Sunday that he

didn't have any violent plans, but the capital will lock down itself when tens of thousands of people march in the streets.

On Sunday, police blocked nearly 1,500 of Khan's armed supporters from entering the capital, the interior minister said. Nearly 100 of them were arrested, he said. He said the police seized seven Kalashnikov rifles, one tear gas gun and seven bullet proof vests, including one driven by one of Khan's ministers from the northwestern province where his party rules.

ASIAN BRIEFS

Afghan official: Insurgent mortar kills 7 from same family

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP)—An Afghan official says that at least seven civilians have been killed after a mortar shell fired by insurgent groups hit a home in northern Afghanistan. Mahmood Haq-mal, spokesman for the provincial governor in Baghlan province, said Sunday that all the victims are from a single family—a mother and six of her children. A seventh child from the family was wounded, he said. No group has claimed responsibility for the attack in Baghlan, but the Taliban have recently increased their attacks against Afghan security forces in the area.

Cambodia's first post-Khmer Rouge prime minister dies at 80

PHNOM PEHN, Cambodia (AP)—Former Cambodian Prime Minister Pen Sovann, who was installed then imprisoned by the Vietnamese after they defeated the brutal Khmer Rouge regime, has died. He was 80. Pen Sovann was the country's first post-Khmer Rouge prime minister, holding the office from June to December 1981, when it was known as the People's Republic of Kampuchea. He died Saturday night from an illness in

his hometown in southern Takeo province. In late 1981, Pen Sovann was removed from power by the Vietnamese in an ouster triggered by his calls for the withdrawal of Vietnam's forces from Cambodia. He was imprisoned for 10 years in Hanoi.

Australian Miss Universe says Trump treated her with respect

CANBERRA, Australia (AP)—An Australian former Miss Universe said Saturday that Donald Trump had always treated her with respect after a video emerged of an embarrassing exchange between the pair in Sydney in 2011. Jennifer Hawkins won the pageant in 2004, when it was owned by Trump. Trump, now the Republican presidential nominee, accuses her in the video as he addresses 10,000 people at the National Achievers Congress in Sydney of initially refusing to introduce him. She blames a "miscommunication" with her management. The video, released by Huffington Post, shows Hawkins raising her forearm between she and Trump as Trump kisses her on the cheek. He gets laughs from the crowd with a double entendre and she tells Trump that he has embarrassed her before leaving the stage.

World

Powerful quake spares lives, but strikes at Italy's identity

NORCIA, Italy (AP)—The third powerful earthquake to hit Italy in two months spared human life Sunday but struck at the nation's identity, destroying a Benedictine cathedral, a medieval tower and other beloved landmarks that had survived the earlier jolts across a mountainous region of small historic towns.

Lost or severely damaged in the shaking were ancient Roman walls, Gothic and Baroque churches and centuries-old paintings crushed beneath tons of brick, sandstone and marble.

Italian Premier Matteo Renzi said the nation's "soul is disturbed" by the series of quakes, starting with the deadly Aug. 24 event that killed nearly 300 people, two back-to-back temblors on Oct. 26, and the biggest

of them all, a 6.6-magnitude quake that shook people out of bed Sunday morning. It was the strongest quake to hit Italy in 36 years.

There were no reports of fatalities—a fact attributed to the evacuation of sensitive areas and fragile city centers. Nearly 8,000 people have been moved to shelters or hotels following the quakes last week and Sunday, and Italy's Civil Protection agency was expecting that number to reach 11,000 by Monday morning. Many who stayed behind were sleeping in campers or other vehicles, out of harm's way.

Renzi vowed to rebuild houses, churches and business, saying, "a piece of Italian identity is at stake at this moment."

"Feeling the earth collapse

2 billion children breathe toxic air worldwide, UNICEF says

NEW DELHI (AP)—As Indians wake Monday to smoke-filled skies from a weekend of festival fireworks, New Delhi's worst season for air pollution begins—with dire consequences.

A new report from UNICEF says most of the 2 billion children in the world who are breathing toxic air live in northern India and neighboring countries, risking serious health effects including damage to their lungs, brains and other organs. Of that global total, 300 million kids are exposed to pollution levels more than six times higher than standards set by the World Health Organization, including 220 million in South Asia.

For the Indian capital, the alarming numbers are hardly a surprise. New Delhi's air pollution, among the world's worst, spikes every winter because of the season's weak winds and countless garbage fires set alight to help people stay warm.

Even days before the city erupted in annual fireworks celebrations for the Hindu holiday of Diwali, recorded levels of tiny, lung-clogging particulate matter known as PM 2.5 on Friday were considered dangerous at well above 300 micrograms per cubic meter. By Monday morning, the city was recording PM 2.5 levels above 900 mcg per cubic meter—more than 90 times higher than the WHO recommendation of no more than 10 mcg per cubic meter.

Children face much higher health risks from air pollution than adults. Children

breathe twice as quickly, taking in more air in relation to their body weight, while their brains and immune systems are still developing and vulnerable.

"The impact is commensurately shocking," with 600,000 children younger than 5 across the world dying every year from air pollution-related disease, UNICEF Executive Director Anthony Lake said in the report released Monday. "Millions more suffer from respiratory diseases that diminish their resilience and affect their physical and cognitive development."

Of the 2 billion children worldwide breathing unhealthy air, the report puts 620 million of them in South Asia—mostly northern India. Another 520 million children are breathing toxic air in Africa, and 450 million in East Asia, mainly China, according to the report, which combined satellite images of pollution and ground data with demographic patterns to determine which populations fell into the highest risk areas.

Since being identified as one of the world's most polluted cities in recent years, New Delhi has tried to clean its air. It has barred cargo trucks from city streets, required drivers to buy newer cars that meet higher emissions standards and carried out several weeks of experimental traffic control, limiting the number of cars on the road. But other pollution sources including construction dust and cooking fires fueled by wood or kerosene continue unabated.

beneath your feet is not a metaphorical expression but is what happened this morning, and half of Italy felt this," Renzi said.

The quake struck another painful blow to the rich artistic heritage of villages that dot the Apennine Mountains.

The worst damage was reported in Norcia, a town in Umbria closest to the epicenter. Two churches were destroyed—the 14th century Basilica of St. Benedict, built on the traditional birthplace of St. Benedict, founder of the Benedictine monastic or-

der; and the Cathedral of St. Mary Argentea, known for its 15th century frescoes. Only the cracked facades were still standing, with most of the structures disintegrating into piles of rubble and dust. Television images showed nuns rushing into the main

piazza as the bell tower appeared on the verge of collapse. Later, nuns and monks knelt in prayer in the main piazza. A firefighter appealed to a priest to help keep residents calm in an effort to prevent them from looking for loved ones.

When the quake struck, nuns from the Saint Mary of Peace monastery in Norcia were praying and singing hymns. The shaking caused their building to collapse and badly damaged their sleeping quarters. Later, firefighters escorted them back inside to retrieve holy books. Then an aftershock hit.

"But we had courage, because we were in our house and the Lord protects us," one nun told The Associated Press.

Large sections of Norcia's ancient Roman city walls—which suffered damage and cracks in the previous quakes—crumbled, along with towers.

Amatrice, the town that bore the brunt of destruction on Aug. 24, sustained blows to treasures that had withstood the quakes of the past weeks.



This 2-picture combo show the bell tower of Amatrice, central Italy, still standing after the Aug. 24, 2016 earthquake, left, and partially collapsed after the earthquake of Sunday, Oct. 30, 2016. AP

Iraq's Shiite militias join Mosul push; bombs rock Baghdad

IRBIL, Iraq (AP)—Thousands of fighters flocked to join Iraq's state-sanctioned, Iran-backed Shiite militias on Sunday, advancing to cut off Islamic State extremists holed up near Mosul in northern Iraq while bombers killed at least 17 people in Shiite neighborhoods of Baghdad.

Militia spokesmen said that some 5,000 fighters had joined their push to encircle from the west the country's second-largest city of Mosul, the IS militants' last bastion in Iraq, which is linked by road to territory it holds in Syria.

Karim al-Nuri of the militias' umbrella group, known

as the Popular Mobilization Units, and Jaafar al-Husseini, a spokesman for unit member the Hezbollah Brigades, said that a total of some 15,000 Shiite fighters were now participating in the battle.

The Iraqi military confirmed the figures, which, including army units, militarized police, special forces and Kurdish fighters would bring the total number of anti-IS forces in the offensive to over 40,000.

The two-week-old offensive to drive IS from Mosul had been long-anticipated, since the Sunni extremists stormed into the city in 2014 and drove out a much larger

Iraqi force, albeit one that was demoralized from neglect and corruption.

Troops are now converging on the city from all directions, although most fighting is still taking place in towns and villages on Mosul's outskirts. The operation is expected to take weeks, if not months.

The Popular Mobilization Units say they will not enter Mosul itself and will instead focus on retaking Tal Afar, a town to the west that had a Shiite majority before it fell to IS in 2014. They acknowledge having help from Iranian military advisers.

Iraqi forces moving toward the city have made uneven progress since the offensive began on Oct. 17. They are four miles (six kilometers) from the edge of Mosul on the eastern front, where Iraq's special forces are leading the charge. But advances have been slower in the south, with government forces still 20 miles (35 kilometers) from the city.

The U.S. military estimates IS has 3,000 to 5,000 fighters inside Mosul and another 1,500-2,500 in the city's outer defensive belt. The total number includes around 1,000 foreign fighters.

The reformer pope heads to Sweden to mark Luther's reforms

LUND, Sweden (AP)—Pope Francis is heading to secular Sweden to mark the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, a remarkably bold gesture given his very own Jesuit religious order was founded to defend the faith against Martin Luther's "heretical" reforms five centuries ago.

While the visit initially raised eyebrows, the Vatican and Lutheran church both insist that Monday's event is no celebration of Luther's revolt. Rather, they say, it's a solemn commemoration to ask forgiveness for the schism in Western Christian-

ity and rejoice that relations have improved in the last five decades.

Francis has prioritized these deeply symbolic encounters to show that even while divided on dogma, the Christian faithful must work together and pray together, especially in times of religious persecution.

"If we don't do it, we Christians hurt ourselves by division," Francis said in an interview this weekend with a Jesuit journal.

After meeting with Sweden's prime minister and royals upon arrival Monday, Francis participates in an ecumenical prayer service at the

Lutheran cathedral in Lund, in southern Sweden. Joining him is the head of the Lutheran World Federation, Bishop Munib Younan.

The Vatican and Lutheran delegations then ride together in a bus—itsself an ecumenical voyage of sorts—to attend an event highlighting both churches' peace-making and humanitarian efforts. Testimony from refugees and the Catholic bishop of besieged Aleppo, Syria top the list of speakers.

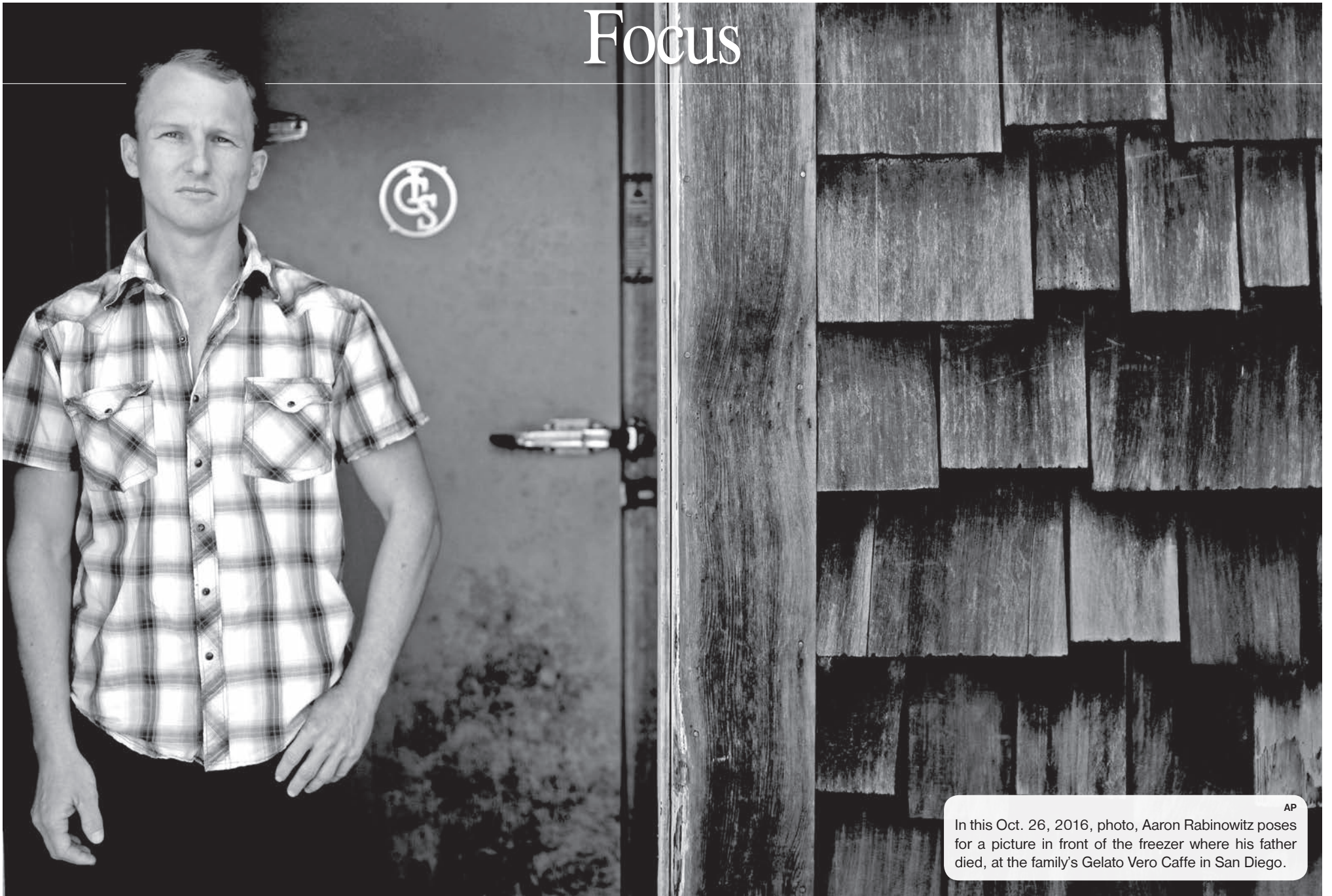
Francis continues his visit on Tuesday with a Catholic Mass in the Malmo sports stadium, added in at the last min-

ute after Sweden's tiny Catholic community balked that Francis was ignoring them and coming only for the Protestant commemoration.

"I wanted to insist on an ecumenical witness," Francis said in the interview. "Then I thought about my role as pastor to a Catholic flock" and added in the Mass and an extra day.

The Protestant Reformation started in 1517 after Luther nailed 95 theses on the church door in the town of Wittenberg, denouncing what he saw as the abuses of the Catholic Church, especially the sale of indulgences.

Focus



AP
In this Oct. 26, 2016, photo, Aaron Rabinowitz poses for a picture in front of the freezer where his father died, at the family's Gelato Vero Caffe in San Diego.

TRAPPED: Deaths inside freezers can be prevented, but how?

By JEFF MARTIN
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ATLANTA (AP)—Trapped in a walk-in hotel freezer with subzero temperatures, Carolyn Robinson Mangham knocked so desperately on the door that the skin on her knuckles had worn away, her husband said in a lawsuit.

When the door finally opened 13 hours later, the coroner said, the 61-year-old kitchen worker was lying on the metal floor, wearing her black shoes and pants, a white cook's shirt and a black apron. Her head and eyes were frozen solid.

Mangham, who died in March in Atlanta, was among a handful of workers who, in the last 15 years, were found dead in freezers, federal records show. Some were trapped by broken doors and either froze to death or were overcome by lethal fumes.

Experts say the deaths are preventable, but it's not likely the federal government will draw up any specific regulations dealing with freezers. One reason: They're more inclined to enforce broad rules for employers, such as making clear exits available.

"This should never happen. It's

tragic, and the families are left with devastation," said Kim Bartels, whose brother Jay Luther died in a walk-in freezer in 2012.

Luther, a 47-year-old chef and co-owner of a cafe in Nashville, Tennessee, went into his restaurant's freezer and the door shut behind him. For reasons not explained, there was no release mechanism to open the door, the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration concluded in its report. Luther suffocated from breathing carbon dioxide vapors that came off dry ice inside the freezer, a medical examiner found.

"There's no question that technologies exist—old and new—that could address this issue," said David Ringholz, chairman of the industrial design department at Iowa State University.

Motion sensors, for instance, could disable doors anytime movement is detected inside a large walk-in freezer, he said. Other experts suggested alarms, a cellphone or even an axe kept inside to help someone get out.

Some safety upgrades would cost hundreds or thousands of dollars, and that expense can be a big obstacle to improvements.

Adam Finkel, a former OSHA regional administrator for the Rocky Mountain states, recalled

when a 55-year-old woman died inside a freezer at a lodge in Colorado in 2002.

"That one really struck me as a terrible way to go," said Finkel, now executive director of the Penn Program on Regulation at the University of Pennsylvania.

There had been problems with the freezer door at the Westin Peachtree Plaza hotel in Atlanta, according to the lawsuit, which seeks unspecified damages. Several months before her death, an exit mechanism failed inside the 12-by-10 freezer, and a hotel employee "had to beat on a back wall in order for someone to let her out," the medical examiner's report states.

When Mangham died, the medical examiner, OSHA and a representative of an equipment servicing company performed more than 30 tests on the door's exit device, and it opened properly each time, hotel spokeswoman Sally McDonald said.

However, three weeks later, the exit button malfunctioned during a follow-up inspection, this time trapping two people, who had to beat on the door to alert others outside to free them, the autopsy report states.

OSHA found that the hotel exposed workers to hazards, and levied a fine of more than \$12,000 in Mangham's death. The hotel agreed to fre-

quent and regular inspections of its freezers, including the door-release mechanisms, the agency said.

After Mangham's death, her co-workers and their union, UNITE HERE, demanded that emergency buttons be placed inside the freezers so that if someone becomes trapped, that person can alert building security or the fire department. So far, the hotel hasn't said whether they plan to have the buttons.

Such devices would be similar to those already in most elevators, said Lee Gray, an architectural historian at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte who wrote a book about the passenger elevator.

Westin Peachtree Plaza workers are also pushing for a better way of tracking employees, so that if someone disappears as Mangham did, others will know to look for them. The hotel has agreed to develop a procedure for workers to check in and out with others when they enter remote areas, OSHA said.

The hotel and its parent company, Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide, have not said whether they are considering changes at any other hotels in the company. Starwood was acquired this year by Marriott International for \$13 billion, creating the world's largest hotel company.

In the wake of Mangham's death, the government could draft new rules and regulations or issue a bulletin or safety alert about the dangers of becoming trapped in freezers, which could raise awareness, said Celeste Monforton, a former OSHA official now with Texas State University.

But creating new, overly specific regulation is sometimes not helpful, said Wayne Li, director of the Innovation and Design Collaborative at the Georgia Institute of Technology. If regulations are too specific, they don't account for new technological advances and can become outdated and stifle innovative approaches, Li said.

Aaron Rabinowitz found his father dead inside the freezer of his family's San Diego cafe nine years ago. He said he thinks that some type of alarm would be a good idea, though it may not have helped his father because he was quickly overcome by the dry ice fumes.

"I'm in there myself daily," said Rabinowitz, who now runs the cafe. "There are safety latches. They can freeze up where you have to give it a really good kick. Somebody who is not strong enough might have trouble with it, so I think that (the alarms) would be a nice extra level of safety beyond a safety latch."

Overdrive

Autonomous cars? Toyota prefers to be in the driver's seat for robot technology

By **TERRY BOX**
THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS

DALLAS—Even before Ford earlier this year unveiled its stunning vision for self-driving cars—vehicles without steering wheels or pedals by 2021—Toyota appeared to be behind in the frenetic race to develop autonomous vehicles.

But Toyota, which spends \$10 billion a year on research, doesn't seem too worried about it.

For Toyota, the end game may be robots.

"Our approach probably is a little different," acknowledged John Hanson, director of communications at the new Toyota Research Institute. "Autonomous cars are designed to drive you across town. Robots can help you up the stairs or into the shower. Both are about keeping people mobile."

Moreover, much of the artificial intelligence and hardware needed for self-driving cars can also be applied to robots.

"It is entirely possible that robots will become for today's Toyota what the car industry was when Toyota made looms (in the 1930s)," Dr. Gill Pratt, CEO of the Toyota Research Institute, said at this year's Consumer Electronics Show. "Home robots may be even more personally prized in our future than cars have been in our past."

With the aging baby-boomer generation swelling the already-large ranks of seniors—an estimated 600 million people worldwide—demand for robots could someday exceed the market for autonomous vehicles, Toyota believes.

"What Gill believes is our relationship with that robot could be even stronger than it was with cars," Hanson said. "It becomes a pet, a guardian, a family member."

For now, General Motors, Nissan and the German Big Three (Mercedes-Benz, Volkswagen/Audi and BMW) appear to lead in the scramble for driverless cars,



Toyota's Patient Transfer Assist robot is designed to reduce the burden on caretakers when it's necessary to move a patient.

TOYOTA

according to the MIT Technology Review. Google and Tesla also are major players—and Google is involved with robot-

ics as well.

Toyota officials say they don't know or particularly care where they stand in the

race for autonomy and artificial intelligence.

Years of work remain to be done, they say, and that effort

got a billion-dollar push over the last year.

First, the automaker formed the Toyota Research Institute, a company focused on the development of artificial intelligence for mobility with offices in Michigan, the Silicon Valley and Cambridge, and partnerships with Stanford, MIT and the University of Michigan.

Then, in April, the automaker announced that it would open Toyota Connected Inc. in Plano, Texas, outside Dallas, a division of about 100 people that will collect and analyze data from Toyota vehicles, and provide a wide range of customer-friendly services such as warning of road hazards ahead or suggesting nearby restaurants based on a driver's food preferences.

"For a mainstream manufacturer, Toyota is doing OK," said Dr. Egil Juliussen, director of research and principal analyst for technology at IHS Automotive Markit. "They're being careful. But before they started this (Toyota Research Institute) project, they were behind."

UNDER THE HOOD

Understanding tire specifications

By **BRAD BERGHOLDT**
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

Q : I need to buy new tires for my 2013 Honda Accord. Because one of my current tires is relatively new, I'm hoping to buy just three. The one I'd like to hang on to is an offbeat, kind of expensive brand that I purchased in a rush after running something over. So, is OK for me to buy three normal, standard-brand tires that don't match it when I do my replacement?

A: It's best to have four identical tires. However, if the new tires you purchase match the single tire's specifications and have a similar tread pattern, they'll do the job just fine.

While you're checking things out, be sure to see if the single tire meets or exceeds your vehicle's specifications. Accord service information specifies replacement tires should be 205/65R16 with a service description of 95H or better.

That first number, 205, refers to the section width (side wall to side wall) as measured in millimeters. The second number, 65, is the aspect ratio, in this case meaning the

tire is 65 percent as tall as it is wide. The third number, 16, is the wheel diameter in inches. Finally, 95H refers to the load index and speed rating. In this case, 95 means the tire is rated to carry 1,521 pounds. A higher number here would indicate a higher load capacity. Meanwhile, the H means the tire's speed rating is 130 mph. Letters that come later in the alphabet—with the exception of V, W, Y and Z—would indicate a lower speed rating. Watch out for this one!

Since your single tire likely has a bit less tread depth than the new tires will have, it'd be best to mount it on the rear of your front-wheel-drive Accord. Tires of differing tread depth and diameter cause undue stress and wear on a vehicle's driveline components. This is a big deal on all-wheel-drive vehicles.

Q: What's your take on the 3,000-mile oil change my local oil changing place recommends?

A: I think it's wrong to promote a one-size-fits-all oil change interval without taking into account how a vehicle is driven. A majority of modern cars and trucks employ a maintenance reminder or oil life system that considers

many factors when indicating how many miles you can drive before getting the vehicle serviced again. Ambient temperature, average speed, run times, load and other factors are crunched by the system, resulting in a recommendation that could be much more generous than your local shop's standard. General Motors says the average recommended interval on its vehicles is 8,500 miles.

On a vehicle without a maintenance reminder that's driven mostly for short trips, an oil change every 3,000 to 5,000 miles isn't a bad idea, as sludge can build up under such conditions and cause problems. If the vehicle is usually driven on the highway for trips of at least 30 minutes, changing the oil every 6,000 to 8,000 miles or once a year—whichever comes first—is reasonable.

Also, synthetic oil holds up a lot better than dinosaur oil but it still gets dirty.

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Called Home by God



Sr. Mary Louise Balzarini, MMB

April 19, 1929 – October 27, 2016

The Mercedarian Missionaries of Berriz would like to share that our sister, Mary Louise, has been called home by God after 59 years as a religious woman. We invite you to join us in praying for her eternal rest, especially all of her former students since her arrival to Saipan in 1957—from Mt. Carmel School, Sr. Remedios Pre-School & Kindergarten, & Doktrina.

Viewing will be on Saturday, November 5, from 9:00 AM-12:30 PM at Mt. Carmel Cathedral. Then, the Mass of Christian Burial will be at 1 PM, followed by internment at the Maturana Cemetery at Navy Hill.

In lieu of flowers, any contribution to the "MMB Retirement" for the care of the other retired sisters would be most appreciated.

Life & Style

The 13 women who could show Bill Cosby had a pattern

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Did Bill Cosby drug and molest young women as part of a “signature” crime spree spanning five decades? Prosecutors preparing for his sexual-assault trial hope to call 13 of about 60 accusers to show just that.

The defense will question their relevance and attack their credibility in high-stakes pre-trial hearings that start Tuesday in suburban Philadelphia.

The fallen superstar is charged over a single 2004 encounter with Andrea Constand, a former employee at Temple University. However, Pennsylvania law allows testimony about similar uncharged acts to show someone committed crimes in a distinctive, nearly identical, pattern.

Prosecutors say Cosby routinely used his fame and power to befriend impressionable young women, knocked them out with drugs or alcohol and then sexually assaulted them. Sometimes, they say, he even promised their mothers he’d look out for the show business ingenues.

The testimony of the 13 others—should Montgomery County Judge Steven T. O’Neill allow some or all of it—could bolster a case that turns on the question of con-

sent. Cosby’s lawyers will fight to keep the women off the stand at the June 5 trial, in courtroom showdowns that could amount to 13 mini-trials. Cosby, in a decade-old deposition, acknowledged some of the encounters but said they were consensual.

The Associated Press does not typically name people who say they are sexual-assault victims. However, Constand has given consent through her lawyer, while 10 other women named below have spoken out publicly. One has spoken out under a pseudonym, while the final two remain anonymous. The accounts below, listed chronologically, note ages for each woman and Cosby at the time, as described in a prosecution memo filed last month.

ANDREA CONSTAND

Ages then: She was 30; he was 66

Constand told police in 2005 that Cosby drugged and sexually assaulted her a year earlier at his suburban Philadelphia estate. She said he gave her three unlabeled blue pills to “relax” as the Temple University basketball team manager discussed a career change with Cosby, a high-profile Temple booster and trustee. She said she was semi-conscious on

his couch when he digitally penetrated her. Cosby, 79, is charged with sexually assaulting a person unable to give consent, a felony that could bring 10 years in prison. He has pleaded not guilty and remains free on \$1 million bail.

JANE DOE 1

Ages then: She was 21; he was 30.

She was a flight attendant when she met Cosby in about 1964. He invited her to a taping of his show and cast her as an extra. After being friends for several months, she said, he offered her champagne at the Drake Hotel in Chicago, which left her unable to ward off his sexual advances before she passed out.

LINDA BROWN

Ages then: She was 21; he was 31.

Brown’s agent sent the aspiring model to attend Cosby’s show in Toronto and have dinner with him afterward in 1969. He invited her to his hotel room to give her a gift, and offered her a soda that caused her to black out, she said, before Cosby raped her.



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CINDRA LADD

Ages then: She was 21; he was 31.

Ladd, a model, met Cosby in 1969 when he offered career advice. They were at his friend’s house in New York one day when she

complained about having a headache and he gave her a pill he called “a miracle cure” from his doctor. She became incapacitated, and Cosby raped her, she said.

JANE DOE 2

Ages then: She was in her early 20s; he was 32.

She met Cosby through her job at the Playboy Club in New York in the early 1970s. He offered her quaaludes in a limousine one day, which she said she declined. She then had three or four glasses of champagne but believes they contained an intoxicant that left her unconscious. She woke up naked in a hotel room feeling sore and said she had been sexually assaulted.

DONNA MOTSINGER

Ages then: She was 26; he was 33.

Motsinger was a waitress at the Trident restaurant in San Salito, California, a favorite of

Cosby’s. He befriended Motsinger and her 9-year-old son. In 1972, Motsinger said, she accepted an invitation to Cosby’s show and drank wine he gave her in the limousine on the way there. When a headache ensued, she took a pill he handed her. She recalls being fondled before waking up the next day, nearly naked, at her own home.

MARGIE SHAPIRO

Ages then: She was 19; he was 37.

Shapiro worked at Castle Donuts in Santa Monica, California, in 1975 when Cosby stopped by. He invited her to the set of “Mother, Jugs & Speed,” and then to a dinner party, but instead took her to a house near the Playboy Mansion, where they played pinball fueled by Cosby’s challenge that whoever lost would have to take a pill she believed to be a quaalude. She lost. She recalls waking up to find Cosby having sex with her.

THERESE SERIGNESE

Ages then: She was 18 or 19; he was 38 or 39.

Serignese, now a nurse, was in the gift shop of the Las Vegas Hilton in about 1975 when she met Cosby. He later invited her to his show, and to a room backstage afterward, where he gave her two pills that left her incapacitated before he raped her, she said. Cosby, in a 2006 deposition in Constand’s civil lawsuit, testified that he gave Serignese quaaludes before what he called a consensual sexual encounter.

LINDA KIRKPATRICK

Ages then: She was 25; he was 43.

Kirkpatrick met Cosby while playing against him in a tennis tournament in 1981. He offered her tickets to his show at the Las Vegas Hilton, where he gave her a drink in his dressing room that left her incapacitated, she said. She next recalls him being on top of her, kissing her and rubbing against her.

JANICE BAKER-KINNEY

Ages then: She was 23 or 24; he was 45.

Baker-Kinney, then a Harrah’s bartender in Reno, went to a pizza party at a nearby home where Cosby was staying in 1982. He insisted she take two pills, she said, before the backgammon game they were playing went blurry. She recalls seeing her blouse unbuttoned and his pants unzipped before she awoke na-

ked with signs she had been sexually assaulted.

HEIDI THOMAS

Ages then: She was 24; he was 47.

Thomas’ agent sent the aspiring young actress to meet Cosby for career advice at a Harrah’s hotel in Reno in 1984, but the limousine he sent instead took her to a private house where she said he gave her a drink so she could play the intoxicated person in a script he gave her. During intermittent bouts of consciousness, she recalls being naked and Cosby forcing her to perform oral sex.

REBECCA NEAL

Ages then: She was about 28; he was 48.

Neal worked as a masseuse at a Las Vegas health club where Cosby played tennis in the mid-1980s. He befriended her mother and aunt there, leading Neal to accept an invitation to his show at the Las Vegas Hilton and dinner afterward. Cosby urged her to have a drink set before her while he ate. She said he later raped her in his room while she was too disoriented to give consent.

LISE-LOTTE LUBLIN

Ages then: She was 23; he was 50.

Lublin was a 23-year-old aspiring actress when she met Cosby in 1989. She and her mother went for a run with Cosby, and he gave them show tickets, before he invited her to the Elvis suite of the Las Vegas Hilton to practice acting improvisation. He prodded her to take two drinks to relax, which she ultimately did. She recalls seeing Cosby stroking her hair, and walking down a hall, before she woke up at home two days later. She believes she was sexually assaulted.

“KACEY”

Ages then: She was 29; he was 58.

The witness, who agreed to be photographed but not share her identity in the media, worked for one of Cosby’s agents and had known the entertainer for six years when he invited her to lunch at his bungalow at the Bel Air Hotel in 1996 to discuss her acting ambitions. He was in a robe and slippers when she arrived, and offered her wine and a pill that she consumed after he reassured her it was safe. She then recalls being sexually assaulted by Cosby on his bed.

Perry’s ‘Madea’ stuns Hanks’ ‘Inferno’ in box office upset

NEW YORK (AP)—Tom Hanks. Tom Cruise. Ben Affleck. None of them have been a match for Tyler Perry’s Madea.

1. “**Boo! A Madea Halloween**,” \$16.7 million.
2. “**Inferno**,” \$15 million (\$29.1 million international).
3. “**Jack Reacher: Never Go Back**,” \$9.6 million (\$11.6 million international).
4. “**The Accountant**,” \$8.5 million (\$7.9 million international).
5. “**Ouija: Origin of Evil**,” \$7.1 million (\$8.3 million international).
6. “**The Girl on the Train**,” \$4.3 million (\$7 million international).
7. “**Miss Peregrine’s Home for Peculiar Children**,” \$4 million (\$7.5 million international).
8. “**Keeping Up With the Joneses**,” \$3.4 million (\$1.4 million international).
9. “**Storks**,” \$2.8 million (\$5.2 million international).
10. “**Ae Dil Hai Mushkil**,” \$2.1 million (\$10.7 million international).

In a surprise victory at the weekend box office, Perry’s “Boo! A Madea Halloween” toppled another A-lister as Hanks’ and Ron Howard’s new Dan Brown adaption, “Inferno,” went up in flames. Perry’s latest movie about his tough-talking grandmother remained No. 1 for the second straight week

with an estimated \$16.7 million.

That was enough to scare away the third installment of the “Da Vinci Code” franchise. According to studio estimates Sunday, “Inferno” bombed with \$15 million, about half of what more bullish predictions anticipated. Sony Pictures and “Inferno”

could take solace in stronger overseas business. In three weeks of international release, the Italy-set film has earned nearly \$150 million. The studio also stressed that the \$75 million budget for “Inferno” was half that of 2006’s “The Da Vinci Code” or 2009’s “Angels & Demons.”

Dylan tells Swedish Academy he accepts Nobel Prize

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP)—Bob Dylan has accepted the 2016 Nobel Prize for literature, the Swedish Academy said, adding that getting the prestigious award left him “speechless.”

The academy’s permanent secretary, Sara Danius, said Dylan himself contacted them and said “of course” he would accept the prize. Danius told Sweden’s TT news agency that Dylan called her Tuesday evening and they spoke for about 15 minutes.

“The news about the Nobel Prize left me speechless,” Dylan told Danius, according to a statement posted Friday on the academy’s website. “I appreciate the honor so much.”

It has not yet been decided

whether Dylan will attend any Nobel events in Stockholm in December, Danius said.

In an interview with British newspaper The Telegraph posted Friday, Dylan was quoted as saying he “absolutely” wants to attend the Dec. 10 prize ceremony, “if it’s at all possible.”

Danius said the academy will do “all it can” to have a schedule suiting Dylan if he wants to come to Stockholm, according to TT.

The 75-year-old singer-songwriter was awarded the prize on Oct. 13 “for having created new poetic expressions within the great American song tradition.”

Dylan at first was silent after the announcement, and a member of the Swedish Acad-

emy called the silence “impolite and arrogant.”

Dylan has accepted numerous awards over the years, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom, for which he attended a White House ceremony in 2012. But he also has a history of taking his time acknowledging them.

In 2013, he became the first rock star voted into the elite American Academy of Arts and Letters, which made him an honorary member. According to executive director Virginia Dajani, the academy informed Dylan of the decision—through his manager, Jeff Rosen—in January of that year. Only in May 2013 did Dylan respond, through his manager.

World Series of Poker champion to be crowned, win \$8M

LAS VEGAS (AP)—Another World Series—one with an \$8 million prize at stake—was opening Sunday to the excitement of many in Las Vegas.

The 47th annual World Series of Poker returned to the Rio All Suite Hotel and Casino with the no-limit Texas Hold 'em main event. An elite group of nine competitors who outlasted a field of 6,737 players will gather at the final table starting at 5 p.m.

Among those vying for the first prize and the title bracelet is Kenny Hallaert of Belgium.

The 34-year-old has a seat at the table after being a

cheerleader for friends the last two years, according to the Las Vegas Review-Journal. Those friends include Jorjyt Van Hoof, who came in third in 2014, and Pierre Neuville, who placed seventh last year. Hallaert has participated in the tournament since 2008 and finished 123rd last year.

"There's a lot of money, of course, but becoming a world champion would mean way more," said Hallaert, a tournament director for poker events in Belgium. "The value of that is something you can't put a number on."

Hallaert has been working



AP
Michael Ruane, left, and Gordon Vayo compete at the World Series of Poker final table, Sunday, Oct. 30, 2016, in Las Vegas.

York. The players with the shortest stacks include Jerry Wong and Fernando Pons.

The main event will also run Monday and go until three players are left sitting for the Tuesday session.

World Series of Poker tournaments began in May, culminating with the annual main event. The nine players who made it through the grueling multiday poker marathon are already guaranteed at least \$1 million each.

The tournament is a 45-year tradition that got its start with casino owner Benny Binion as an invitation-only event.

Sotheby sale features Edvard Munch work that may fetch \$50M

NEW YORK (AP)—A work by Norwegian artist Edvard Munch will highlight Sotheby's fall auction of impressionist and modern art.

The auction house expects the painting, "Girls on the Bridge," to sell for more than \$50 million on Nov. 14.

The seminal work from 1902 depicts a cluster of girls huddled on the bridge of a country village. It sold in 1996 for \$7.7 million and again in 2008 for \$30.8 million, each time setting a record for the artist.

In 2012, Munch's work "The Scream," one of the most iconic images in art history, sold for \$119.9 million at Sotheby's. It became the most expensive artwork ever sold at auction, a record that has been broken four times since.

Pablo Picasso's "Women of Algiers (Version O)" now holds that distinction. It sold last year for \$179.4 million.

Other works in the November evening sale include

a large-scale painting by Picasso, "The Painter and His Model," from 1963. The 5-foot-wide painting has descended through the same family since it was acquired in 1968. It carries a presale estimate of \$12 million to \$18 million.

A 1951 bronze bust by Picasso of his lover and muse Francoise Gilot is also on tap. "Head of a Woman" could fetch \$6 million to \$8 million.

An early cubist composition by Mexican artist Diego Rivera, "Untitled (Cubist Composition)," from 1916 is estimated to bring \$500,000 to \$700,000.

The sale also has two abstract works by Laszlo Maholy-Nagy that recently appeared in a retrospective of his work at the Guggenheim Museum in New York. The 1923 work, "EM 1 Telephonbild," has a presale estimate of \$3 million to \$4 million.

with several coaches to see any holes in his game. He also says he watched numerous

hours of footage of the last six main event final tables.

Other competitors in-

clude Las Vegas resident Qui Nguyen and chip leader Cliff Josephy of Muttontown, New

Election year fatigue? Blame it in part on the race of 1840

NEW YORK (AP)—Presidential elections are a foundation of American democracy dating back to George Washington.

But presidential campaigns, as we know and endure them, came later.

In a book published this fall, "The Carnival Campaign," author Ronald G. Shafer reflects on the race in 1840 that laid the groundwork for today's songs and speeches, insults and branding, rumors about health and left us with a catchphrase for the ages, "Tippecanoe and Tyler Too." Gone forever were the elections for which candidates stayed home and hesitated even to say they were candidates, Shafer told The Associated Press in an interview.

"Originally, you had to kind of pretend that you weren't running for president because

it was thought that the office sought the man," Shafer says.

The contenders in 1840 were President Martin Van Buren, a democrat, and Whig Party candidate William Henry Harrison, a War of 1812 hero and, at age 67, the oldest man at that time to seek the White House. Van Buren, nicknamed "The Little Magician," was known as a skillful and influential politician and organizer. But the economy was still suffering from the "Panic of 1837" and the president would find himself on the wrong side of an argument few candidates can afford to lose—which one was seen as a "man of the people?"

Thanks to a flippant remark by a democratic newspaper that Harrison was better off drinking hard cider in his "log

cabin," the Whigs effectively fashioned their well-to-do nominee as an ordinary citizen and helped make the log cabin a national symbol. Harrison and running mate John Tyler won easily, but Harrison's candidacy had a more enduring legacy than his presidency; he fell ill soon after taking office and died in the spring of 1841.

During a recent interview with The Associated Press, Shafer discussed the innovations of the 1840 race:

On Harrison, an Ohio native, becoming the first major nominee to give a public speech:

"(The Democrats) called him General Mum. They said that he was kept in the cage because they didn't trust him to talk for himself, and this really upset Harrison. So one day, he got an invitation to come

speak at a memorial service at a fort that he had helped defend during the War of 1812, Fort Meigs up near Toledo. So he accepted it ... He did leave his silk hat at home, and he took his farmer's hat because he wasn't going to mess with the image, and he stopped overnight in Columbus, Ohio right in the middle of town, right in the middle of the state, the capital of Ohio. The next morning, he was leaving to go on his way, and there was a crowd outside. So he started saying a few remarks, and pretty soon, he had launched into a speech.

"And he went around the state, and it was so unusual that he drew crowds in Dayton and Cincinnati, 100,000 people, which given the population back in those days was quite incredible."

Rude sister-in-law's demands put damper on holiday giving

DEAR ABBY: My brother and his wife have been married 3 1/2 years and have an 18-month-old daughter. My sister-in-law, "Barb," is either very rude or passive-aggressive to our mother in emails and when she thinks no one is around.

At Christmas, Barb sends out an email detailing what we are and are not allowed to buy for their daughter. If we can't do exactly what she wants, she threatens to cancel Christmas. This includes asking her permission before we buy any toys. Barb tells my mom that because her mother doesn't have much money, Mom can't spend more than her mother does. So, because my family has a little more money, we are being punished.

Barb is extremely demeaning and hurtful to us. I can't understand why my brother allows it. My husband and I are sick and tired of her acting this way, and the way she treats my mother is cruel. I'm tempted to confront her about how she has ruined Christmas for my parents. She basically doesn't allow us to have feelings, and I can't believe we are standing for it. Help!

HOLIDAY HOSTAGE

DEAR HOSTAGE: Your sister-in-law may be telling your parents not to spend more money on gifts for the

grandchild because she doesn't want her mother to be embarrassed. However, if her rude behavior extends beyond that, rather than take her on, the person you should "confront" about it is your brother.

DEAR ABBY: My fiance and I are in the process of ordering our wedding invitations, and the phrase "the honor of your presence is requested" versus "the pleasure of your company is requested" is causing a problem.

The woman at the store insists we use the latter because the ceremony won't be in a church. My research on the internet says if the ceremony is a religious one, the phrase "the honor of your presence" is appropriate, and it is also our preference. However, if the ceremony is a civil one, the "pleasure of your company is requested" is the preferred one.

Our minister will be performing the ceremony in the gazebo at the country club. Although it's not a church, the ceremony will certainly be religious. What's the proper etiquette on this issue? Invitations are on hold until I hear from you.

DONNA IN FLORIDA

DEAR DONNA: The salesperson at the store is mistaken. The wording on your wedding invitation is not determined by whether you are being married in a church.

DEAR ABBY

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I ran your letter by Lisa Grotts, a San Francisco Bay-area certified etiquette expert, who had this to say:

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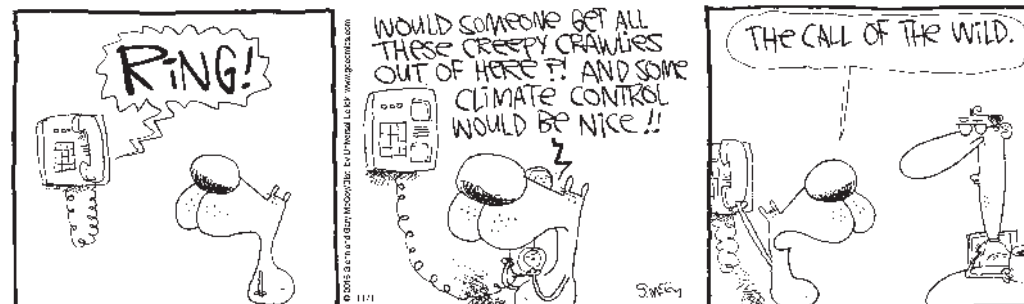


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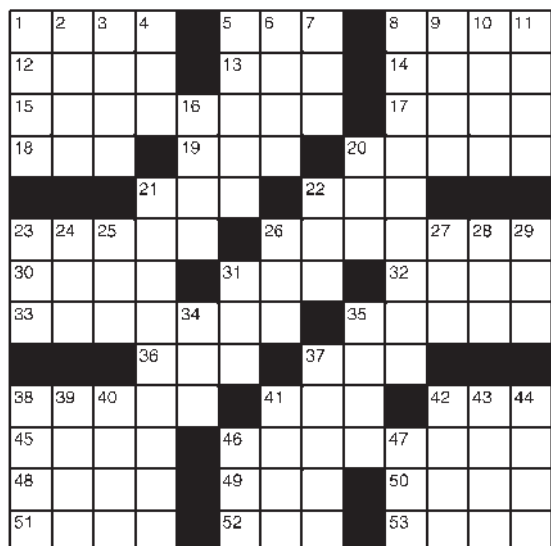
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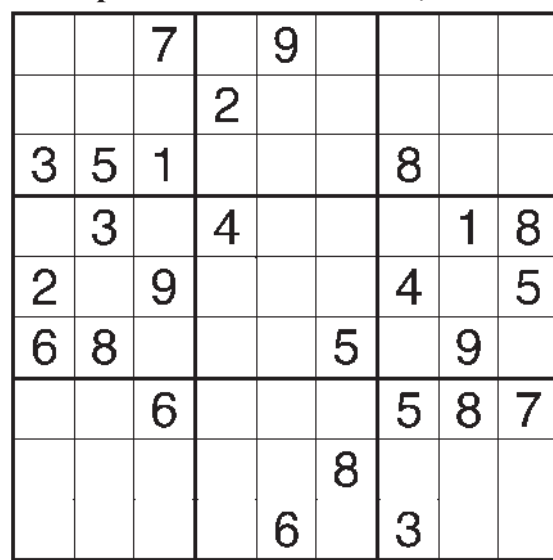
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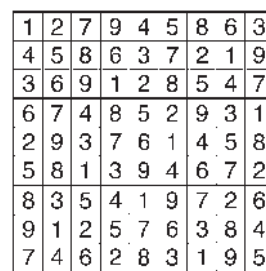
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Chapman, Cubs stop Indians, cut deficit to 3-2

CHICAGO (AP)—They have waited 108 years for a championship. So with this World Series on the verge of slipping away, the Chicago Cubs could not wait any longer.

Manager Joe Maddon summoned closer Aroldis Chapman from the bullpen in the seventh inning for the first eight-out save of his big league career, a desperate move in a dire situation with the Cubs needing to hold off the Cleveland Indians in Game 5.

As nervous fans fretted at Wrigley Field, the big Cuban left-hander fired his 100 mph heat over and over, preserving a 3-2 win Sunday night that cut Cleveland's Series lead to 3-2.

"I didn't expect to come in so early, but I mentally prepared myself," Chapman said through a translator. "I was ready to come in at a moment's notice."

The crowd of 41,711 erupted when Jose Ramirez, who had homered earlier, foul tipped a 101 mph offering at the outside corner into the glove of catcher Willson Contreras for the final out.

A white flag with a blue "W" was raised atop Wrigley Field after a Series win for the first time since Oct. 8, 1945, in Game 6 over Detroit. Fans stayed long after the final out and sang "Sweet Home Chicago" as Cubs returned to the field for media interviews.

"High anxiety," first baseman Anthony Rizzo said. "A lot of deep breaths. Every pitch gets bigger and bigger as the game goes on. It's unbelievable. Great win here. We sent these fans off with a win. Now we have to go to Cleveland and win."

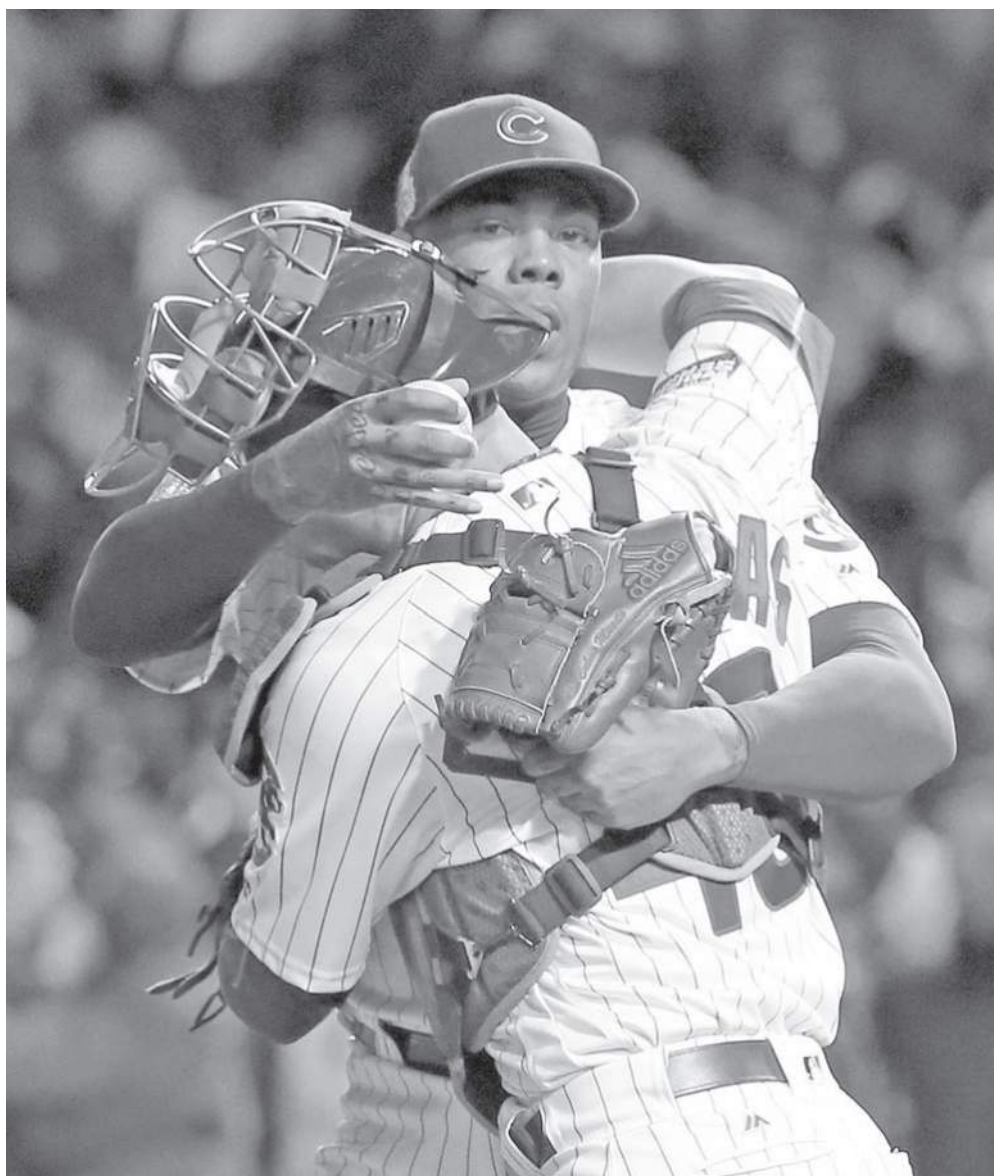
Chicago, which led the majors this year with 103 regular-season wins, will try to extend its season again Tuesday night when Cubs right-hander

Jake Arrieta faces Josh Tomlin. The Cubs are trying to become the first club to overcome a 3-1 Series deficit since the 1985 Kansas City Royals and the first to do it by winning Games 6 and 7 on the road since the 1979 Pittsburgh Pirates.

Seeking its first title since 1948, Cleveland is in search of its third-ever title and has won the championship at home just once, in 1920. Over 67,000 showed up at Progressive Field just to watch the three road games on the video board.

"It's going to be crazy. It's going to be nuts," first baseman Mike Napoli said. "They're going to be pretty fired up, and they're going to get us going."

Chapman, obtained from the Yankees in July, hadn't pitched in the seventh inning since 2012. He took a chug of water from a plastic bottle on the left-field bullpen mound



AP
Chicago Cubs relief pitcher Aroldis Chapman and catcher Willson Contreras celebrate after Game 5 of the Major League Baseball World Series against the Cleveland Indians, Sunday, Oct. 30, 2016, in Chicago.

within a run in the sixth when Davis singled, stole second scored on a two-out single by Lindor, who is hitting .421 in the Series.

Bauer, his pinkie seemingly healed from a cut sustained while playing with a toy drone during the AL Championship Series, dropped to 0-2 in the Series, giving up three runs and six hits in four innings.

After a pair of relatively balmy autumn nights on the North Side, the temperature dropped to 50 degrees at game time and a 10 mph win added chill. Maddon wore a Cubs ski hat with a blue pompom rather than a baseball cap.

Bryant, in a 1-for-15 slide, led off the fourth by driving a fastball into the left-field bleachers, where a fan in the first row dropped it.

Rizzo sent the next pitch off the ivy on the right-field wall for a double, admiring its flight before hustling, took third on Ben Zobrist's single and came home with the go-ahead run when Addison Russell reached out and topped a pitch down the third-base line for an infield single.

Jason Heyward took a called third strike, slumping Javier Baez dropped a bunt down the third-base line for a single that loaded the bases and Ross, a 39-year-old making perhaps his final big league start, hit a sacrifice fly for a 3-1 lead.

"We're writing our own history. We're making history. Why stop?" Russell said. "This is entertaining to us. It's fun, and we live for this."

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Ross allowed Santana's second-inning foul pop to glance off his glove and Rizzo batted the ball in the air with his bare hand, then gloved it. It was similar to Game 6 in 1980, when Philadelphia first baseman Pete Rose grabbed Frank White's foul pop after it nicked off catcher Bob Boone.

WEB GEM

Heyward grabbed onto the brick wall in the right-field corner in the third, then reached back to catch Bauer's wind-blown foul fly.

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This was the last game with the bullpens in foul territory at Wrigley, where new pens under the bleachers are to open next season. Zobrist had to climb the mound to catch Kipnis' seventh-inning fly.

Longtime pals Ross, Lester keep Cubs alive in World Series

CHICAGO (AP)—David Ross isn't done just yet. Same for Jon Lester and the rest of the Chicago Cubs.

Ross played a starring role as the Cubs stayed alive in the World Series, topping the Indians 3-2 in Game 5 on Sunday. The 39-year-old catcher, who plans to retire after the season, had a superb night behind the plate and delivered a clutch sacrifice fly that helped Chicago to its first Series win at Wrigley Field in 71 years.

"I've had a storybook year, honestly," Ross said. "There are so many things I can talk about that have happened to me over this year. That's just another cool one to get the sac fly that puts us ahead and we hold on."

He even got a shoutout from Pearl Jam frontman Eddie Vedder, who dedicated "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" to Ross during the seventh-inning stretch of his final home start. "We love you Rossy," Vedder said as the crowd roared. "Let's take this show to Cleveland!"

"Everybody was looking at me like, dude, Eddie Ved-

der just dedicated the whole seventh-inning stretch to you," Ross said, "and I'm like, my mind's blown, I'm thinking about being out of the game and he's a quality individual. He's just a good person, rock star, everybody knows who Eddie Vedder is. He says my name, it's a huge compliment."

Ross and his good buddy Lester also combined to slow Cleveland's attack after the Indians rolled to a 7-2 victory Saturday night. Lester bounced back from a so-so outing in the Series opener, pitching six solid innings to improve to 3-1 with a 1.93 ERA in five post-season starts this year.

It was a familiar performance for the left-hander, who helped Boston win the World Series in 2007 and 2013. He was 3-0 in three career starts in the Fall Classic before dropping Game 1 against Cleveland when he was nicked for three runs in 5 2/3 innings.

"You're just grinding from pitch one," Lester said. "You're trying to make the perfect pitch every time, and at the same time still be

aggressive."

Ross' Game 5 included a pair of adventures in foul territory. He had one foul pop go off his glove near the railing of the visitors' dugout, but first baseman Anthony Rizzo was there for a juggling catch. Ross collided with Rizzo on a foul pop in the fourth and held on for the out.

But Ross put together his best work when he stayed behind the plate. He did a solid job of framing close called third strikes to Brandon Guyer in the fifth and Jason Kipnis in the sixth. After Kipnis' strikeout, Ross cut down Francisco Lindor trying to steal second for the final out of the inning.

Ross' defensive work was particularly important with Lester having his usual struggles with runners on the basepaths.

"It starts and ends with Jon for me," Ross said. "This guy, there's not a better way to go out your last start than catching Jon Lester."

The Cubs trailed 1-0 before scoring three times in the fourth. Ross capped the rally

when Maddon called him in with a runner on.

"That was a big ask, and he answered," Indians manager Terry Francona said. "That was impressive."

Of Chapman's 42 pitches, 15 flew in at 100 mph or faster.

"It's something you can't normally do during the season without beating somebody up too badly," Maddon said. "But

I talked to Chappy before the game. He was aware of being ready in the seventh inning. So we had that all in play."

Chapman struck out four, raising his total to eight over five innings in three Series appearances.

"This guy's used to just getting three outs," Cubs starter Jon Lester said. "He was fired up. We were all fired up to get through that."

With the crowd at the Friendly Confines desperate, Kris Bryant homered to start a three-run burst in the fourth off Trevor Bauer that gave Lester a 3-1 lead. The Indians nicked Lester for a run in the sixth, and Carl Edwards Jr. took over to begin the seventh with a 3-2 edge.

Chapman came in with a runner on second and one out and retired Roberto Perez on an inning-ending groundout with two on as fans screamed. After Rajai Davis stole second and third in the eighth, Francisco Lindor took a 101 mph pitch at the knees for an inning-ending called third strike, then stood in the batter's box for nearly 20 seconds in anger and frustration.

Chapman finished with a 1-2-3 ninth. He threw 35 fastballs, six sliders and one changeup.

Lester, the Game 1 loser, improved to 4-1 in Series play by allowing two runs and six hits.

Ramirez homered in the second to put the Indians ahead, and Cleveland closed

with a sac fly to left with the bases loaded, driving in Ben Zobrist.

Ross, nicknamed "Grandpa Rossy" by his young teammates as he wraps up his 15th season, was taken out for a pinch hitter in the sixth, and he shared a big hug with Lester in the dugout.

"I just said I love him," Ross said. "Thanks for everything. I love him."

Lester and Ross have been together for years and often hang out together off the field. Lester agreed to a \$155 million, six-year deal in December 2014, a key moment in the Cubs' resurgence. Ross then followed Lester to Chicago for a \$5 million, two-year contract, and quickly became an important leader in the clubhouse.

"I love him like a brother, like a dad, like a mentor," Rizzo said. "I was pretty emotional, seeing him in that at-bat driving in that run, throwing that guy out. We were talking before the game, this will be a blast. We got the W. We just need to get two more Ws."

Prescott rallies Cowboys to OT win over Eagles, 29-23



ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)—Dak Prescott threw a 5-yard touchdown pass to Jason Witten in overtime, giving the Dallas Cowboys their sixth straight win with a 29-23 victory over the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday night.

Prescott rallied the Cowboys with a late tying touchdown pass to Dez Bryant and won the rookie quarterback duel with Carson Wentz. Dallas (6-1) took a two-game division lead after rallying from a 10-point deficit in the fourth quarter.

The 23-year-old Prescott recovered from a shaky start, finishing 19 of 39 for 287 yards with two scores and an end zone interception that cost the Cowboys points late in the first half.

Wentz had the Eagles (4-3) in position for a win with another efficient performance. But he couldn't move Philadelphia late in regulation with the game tied. The Eagles never got the ball in overtime after Prescott led the 75-yard scoring drive.

Raiders 30, Buccaneers 24

In Tampa, Fla., Derek Carr threw a 41-yard touchdown pass to Seth Roberts with 1:45 remaining in overtime, capping a record-breaking day for Oakland in a victory over Tampa Bay.

Carr threw for a franchise-record 513 yards, completing 40 of 59 passes without an interception, and the Raiders overcame an NFL-record 23 penalties for 200 yards.

Carr also threw touchdowns to offensive tackle and ex-Buc Donald Penn, Amari Cooper and Mychal Rivera as the Raiders (6-2) improved to 5-0 on the road.

Jameis Winston threw for 180 yards and two touchdowns for the Bucs (3-4), who took a 24-17 lead on a 1-yard run by Jacquizz Rodgers and 2-point conversion.

Carr threw his TD pass to Rivera to tie it with 1:38 remaining, and Sebastian Janikowski missed a 50-yard field goal as time expired to send it into overtime.

Janikowski misfired again from 52 yards on Oakland's first possession of the extra period.

Redskins 27, Bengals 27

In London, Washington and Cincinnati played to the second NFL tie game in seven days, the first time there have been two draws in a season since 1997.

The sold-out crowd of 84,000 at Wembley Stadium left deflated and even puzzled as the regulation-time shootout between Kirk Cousins and Andy Dalton turned into an overtime comedy of errors.

Washington (4-3-1) ap-



peared to have the game won with 2:13 left in overtime, but Dustin Hopkins hooked his 34-yard field goal attempt wide left.

The Redskins got the ball back with 1:11 remaining when Dalton fumbled at the Bengals 47 on a quarterback sneak. Cousins couldn't connect downfield and tossed his final desperate pass tamely into the sideline to preserve the draw. Cincinnati is 3-4-1.

The unlikely result came one week after the Seattle Seahawks and Arizona Cardinals tied 6-6.

Falcons 33, Packers 32

In Atlanta, Matt Ryan threw an 11-yard touchdown pass to Mohamed Sanu with 31 seconds remaining, rallying the Falcons.

The Falcons (5-3) snapped a two-game losing streak, driving 75 yards for the winning score after Aaron Rodgers put the Packers (4-3) ahead with his fourth TD pass of the game.

With Julio Jones shut down in the second half, Ryan turned to Sanu to bail out Atlanta. He caught five passes for 50 yards on the final possession, the last a touchdown pass in the back of the end zone after he lined up in the slot and got matched against linebacker Jake Ryan.

Sanu finished with nine catches for 84 yards, both season highs in his first season with the Falcons. Ryan was 28 of 35 for 288 yards and three touchdowns.

Rodgers threw for 246 yards, teaming up with a bunch of unknown receivers as the banged-up Packers played without six starters. Linebacker Clay Matthews and receiver Randall Cobb were among those who couldn't go.

Broncos 27, Chargers 19

In Denver, the Denver Bron-

cos took turns picking off and pummeling Philip Rivers.

But defensive coordinator Wade Phillips was taken to a hospital after getting knocked down during Brady Roby's 51-yard touchdown return in the second quarter, tempering their enthusiasm.

San Diego running back Melvin Gordon was blocked into the 69-year-old assistant, who was strapped to a backboard and carted off the field. The Broncos said Phillips was alert and had movement in his arms and legs when he arrived at the hospital via ambulance.

With linebackers coach Reggie Herring taking over Denver's defensive calls for Phillips, the Broncos (6-2) had a goal-line stand in the closing minutes and picked off Rivers twice more in the second half. They only turned one of those takeaways into points, however, and that allowed the hard-luck Chargers (3-5) to stay in it until the end, forcing Denver to make two stands in the closing minutes.

Saints 25, Seahawks 20

In New Orleans, Drew Brees passed for 265 yards and a touchdown and scored on a quarterback keeper.

The victory wasn't assured until New Orleans' much-maligned defense, ranked 29th, came up with a stop on Seattle's final drive. Russell Wilson took the Seahawks (4-2-1) to the New Orleans 10, where on one final play he lofted a pass toward the corner of the end zone. Jermaine Kearse caught the ball, but landed out of bounds.

Wilson finished with 253 yards passing and was intercepted once by linebacker Nathan Stupar—a play that set up the Saints' first TD on Brees' 1-yard dive over a pile of play-

ers. Brees' lone touchdown pass went to Brandin Cooks on a 2-yard slant, which gave the Saints the lead for good early in the fourth quarter.

Wil Lutz kicked field goals of 22, 53, 21 and 41 yards for the Saints (3-4).

Patriots 41, Bills 25

In Orchard Park, N.Y., Patriots quarterback Tom Brady asserted his on-field ownership of the Bills again, matching an NFL record in beating them for the 26th time.

Brady went 22 of 33 for 315 yards and threw four touchdowns. He improved to 26-3 against Buffalo, and matched a record set by Brett Favre, who went 26-9 against Detroit.

The Patriots (7-1) have won four straight since Brady returned after opening the season serving the NFL's four-game "Deflategate" suspension. His absence included New England's only blemish, a 16-0 home loss to Buffalo (4-4) on Oct. 2, the first time the Patriots were shut out at home since 1993.

After a Bills field goal, Brady threw touchdowns passes on his first two drives. They included a 53-yarder to former Bills receiver Chris Hogan.

The Patriots then broke the game open by scoring 27 points over five consecutive possessions. The surge began with Brady's 53-yard pass to Rob Gronkowski with 4:18 left in the second quarter, and ended when Brady took a seat and was replaced by backup Jimmy Garoppolo with 4:29 left.

Panthers 30, Cardinals 20

In Charlotte, N.C., Jonathan Stewart ran for 95 yards and

two touchdowns, Thomas Davis returned a fumble 46 yards for a score and the Panthers.

In a game reminiscent of last season's NFC championship, a 49-15 Carolina victory, the Panthers jumped to a 24-0 lead and kept the pressure on Carson Palmer all day.

Carolina, which has struggled to generate a pass rush all season, sacked Palmer eight times — three of those by Star Lotulelei — and forced two turnovers. The Panthers also limited running back David Johnson to 24 yards rushing.

Forced into a one-dimensional game, Palmer finished 35 of 46 for 363 yards with three touchdowns, two to J.J. Nelson.

Carolina (2-5) needed a boost to save a sinking season and got one from Davis, its longest-tenured player and emotional leader, on the opening series. Lotulelei sacked Palmer, who attempted to push the ball forward to avoid the sack while in the grasp of the 315-pound defensive tackle. Davis picked up the loose ball and delivered a stiff arm on the way to the first touchdown of his 12-year NFL career.

Davis later left with a left knee injury.

Arizona is 3-4-1.

Chiefs 30, Colts 14

In Indianapolis, Nick Foles threw two touchdown passes in relief of the injured Alex Smith.

It was a rough game for the Chiefs (5-2), who lost Smith twice after hits to the head and finished with Charcandrick West as their only healthy running back.

Smith was checked for a concussion in the first half and cleared to return. He left again early in the third quarter after Clayton Geathers shoved

Philadelphia Eagles outside linebacker Nigel Bradham (53) walks away as the Dallas Cowboys celebrate with tight end Jason Witten, center left, after Witten caught a pass in overtime in an NFL football game, Sunday, Oct. 30, 2016, in Arlington, Texas.

Smith's head to the turf as the quarterback tried to slide underneath the tackle.

Smith was then diagnosed with a concussion and did not return.

Foles' 14-yard TD pass to Travis Kelce early in the second quarter made it 10-0. Smith made it 17-7 at halftime with a 13-yard TD pass to Jeremy Maclin, and after Smith's second departure, Foles hooked up with Tyreek Hill on a 34-yard scoring pass for a 24-7 lead.

Andrew Luck finished 19 of 35 with 210 yards, two touchdowns, one interception and one fumble lost for the Colts (3-5).

Texans 20, Lions 13

In Houston, Brock Osweiler bounced back from an ugly performance by throwing for 186 yards and a touchdown to help the Texans remain perfect at home. Osweiler has struggled in his first season in Houston, but has been better at home where he's thrown eight of his nine touchdown passes.

The Texans (5-3) have lost all of their road games, including a 27-9 loss to Denver on Monday, but they've had no such trouble in Houston.

Matthew Stafford threw for 240 yards and a touchdown for Detroit (4-4), which had a three-game winning streak snapped as the Lions were unable to continue a string of late-game comebacks.

Jets 31, Browns 28

In Cleveland, Matt Forte ran for 82 yards and a pair of second-half touchdowns, helping the Jets rally to a second straight victory.

Ryan Fitzpatrick shook off an ugly first half to throw for 222 yards and a touchdown while leading the Jets (3-5) on three long scoring drives after spotting the Browns (0-8) a 13-point lead.

Josh McCown passed for 341 yards with two touchdowns to Andrew Hawkins and two interceptions in his return to the lineup from a broken collarbone. Terrelle Pryor caught six passes for 101 yards, but couldn't keep Cleveland from its worst start since the 1975 team dropped its first nine games.

The Browns have lost 11 straight overall dating to Week 14 of last season and are 3-26 over their last 29. Cleveland blew a halftime advantage for the third time during the streak.

Durant's 37 leads Warriors past pesky Suns, 106-100

PHOENIX (AP)—Kevin Durant scored 37 points, Stephen Curry added 28 and the Golden State Warriors held off the pesky Phoenix Suns 106-100 on Sunday.

The Warriors didn't seal the victory until Curry's two free throws with 12.9 seconds to play. Durant added a pair of free throws with seven seconds left to provide the final margin.

T.J. Warren scored 26 points and Eric Bledsoe had 21 for the winless Suns, who took the Thunder into overtime in Oklahoma City on Friday night. Tyson Chandler grabbed 18 rebounds for Phoenix.

The Suns led by as many as 13 in the first half. The Warriors finally took somewhat shaky control midway through the final quarter.

Thunder 112, Lakers 96

In Oklahoma City, Russell Westbrook scored 33 points as part of another triple-double to help Oklahoma City beat Los Angeles to remain unbeaten.

Westbrook, coming off a 51-point triple-double against the Phoenix Suns on Friday, also had 16 assists and 12 rebounds against the Lakers. According to the Thunder, he joined Magic Johnson, Jerry Lucas and Oscar Robertson as the only players

in NBA history with two triple-doubles in the first three games of a season.

The Thunder have won 20 straight regular-season games when Westbrook registers a triple-double. He clinched this one, the 39th of his career, in the third quarter. He ended the game with season averages of 38.7 points, 12.3 rebounds and 11.7 assists.

Victor Oladipo added 20 points for the Thunder.

D'Angelo Russell and Julius Randle each scored 20 points for the Lakers.

Spurs 106, Heat 99

In Miami, Kawhi Leonard scored 14 of his 27 points in the final 6:04, doing so with a bandage under his right eye and helping San Antonio hold off Miami to remain unbeaten.

Leonard left the game with 8:29 remaining to be tended to and returned for the final 6:48.

Pau Gasol had 20 points and 11 rebounds for the Spurs, who wasted a 16-point first-half lead before recovering. Patty Mills added 18 for San Antonio, the first team to get to 4-0 in this young NBA season.

Hassan Whiteside made his final seven shots and tied a career-high with 27 points for Miami, also grabbing 15 rebounds. Goran Dragic scored



25 points and Justise Winslow added 18 for the Heat.

Rockets 93, Mavericks 92

In Houston, James Harden made a free throw with 0.1 seconds left, lifting Houston over Dallas in its home opener.

Harden had 28 points, seven rebounds and seven assists. He was fouled by Wesley Mat-

thews on a driving layup at the buzzer with the game tied, then made the second of two free-throw attempts.

After trailing by 10 entering the fourth quarter, Dallas tied it at 92 with a 3-pointer by Matthews with 4.1 seconds remaining.

Matthews led Dallas with 25 points and J.J. Barea scored 18 points off the bench. In

Golden State Warriors forward Kevin Durant dunks against the Phoenix Suns during the first half of an NBA basketball game Sunday, Oct. 30, 2016, in Phoenix.

falling to the Rockets for the second time in three days, the Mavericks fell to 0-3 for the first time since 2011-12, the lockout-shortened season following their title.

Clippers 88, Jazz 75

In Los Angeles, Austin Rivers scored 19 points, Blake Griffin added 18 and Los Angeles routed Utah in its home opener.

Jamal Crawford had 12 points, and DeAndre Jordan had 16 rebounds despite spraining his right thumb.

George Hill led the Jazz with 18 points and reserve Dante Exum added 10. Joe Johnson, who had 29 points in his Utah debut, was held to seven points on 3-of-9 shooting.

The Clippers took the lead for good in the second quarter on Griffin's fast-break dunk. It was part of a 22-4 run over both halves that pushed their lead to 49-35. Six different Clippers contributed to the spurt, led by Griffin's seven points.

Grizzlies 112, Wizards 103, OT

In Memphis, Tenn., Marc Ga-

sol scored 20 points, including a 3-pointer to send the game into overtime, to help Memphis beat Washington.

The game was tied in regulation after Gasol's 3 from 27 feet with 15.7 seconds left in regulation tied the score at 100-all. John Wall's 9-foot attempt at the horn was off, sending the game to an extra period.

Gasol then connected on two more 3s in overtime as Memphis opened a 112-100 advantage to seal the win.

Mike Conley had 24 points and 11 assists for the Grizzlies.

Wall led the Wizards with 22 points and 13 assists as all five Washington starters reached double figures.

Pistons 98, Bucks 83

In Auburn Hills, Mich., Andre Drummond had 20 points and 23 rebounds, helping Detroit cruise.

Kentavious Caldwell-Pope added 21 points for the Pistons, who scored seven straight points in the final minute of the third quarter to build a 10-point lead. Drummond reached 20 rebounds for a second consecutive game, and this was his 10th career game with at least 20 points and 20 rebounds.

Tobias Harris scored 16 points for Detroit, and Marcus Morris and Ish Smith added 11 each. Giannis Antetokounmpo led the Bucks with 17.

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Maniacop, Lyka Sally, and Jasmine Phan, and forwards Angelica Sally and Guinevere Borja. Assistant coaches Jimmy Tang and Lalaine Pagarao, physiotherapist Pam Carhill, team manager Mikky Vargas and officials Yu Hung Lee and Longwen Ji joined the CNMI players and Koo in Nanjing.

"We are practicing a lot of defensive strategies during our training sessions and hopefully these will work

when we face Australia and Jordan," Koo said. "If we have opportunities to score, we will take it. We will see what Australia and Jordan's defense will give us."

Before debuting in the U19 qualifiers, the Commonwealth bets had training matches against teams from Jiangsu Football Association over the weekend.

"We will only be playing against two teams in the AFC qualifier so it's good to have additional matches to maximize the squad's trip in

China and give them more experience playing against other very competitive teams," Koo added.

The CNMI, Australia, and Jordan are in Group A of the qualifiers and only the top team in the pool will advance to the championship round and join early finalists South and North Korea, Japan, and China. Singapore and Lebanon were originally included in Group A, but they pulled out due to funding problems.

The Commonwealth players will duel Australia tomorrow

at 4pm (2pm) and the former's game against Jordan is also set for 4pm this Friday.

Three other groups have their respective qualifiers with Group B now down to two teams—Chinese-Taipei and Uzbekistan, who have similar 2-0-0 win-draw-loss record in the tournament that started last Sunday. Host Tajikistan and Hong Kong complete the group. Group C also has four teams in Thailand, Palestine, Kyrgyzstan, and host Myanmar, while only Iran, Vietnam, and India are playing in Group D.

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of the favorites in other division as Shane and Roman are also entered in the field along with Danny Cruz, Pinchi Rangamar, Kenji Okiyama, Seay

Camacho, Jordan Manglona, Nuique, Jesus Attao, Maitai Charlie, Vince Pua, Crisostomo, and Van Der Maas.

Van Der Maas will also compete in the middleweight class (176lbs to 204lbs) and will battle Masga, Roman and

Shane Alvarez, Rey Kim, Garcia, Lucas Nutting, Phil David, Agda, Roy Lee, Syl Teregeyo, and Frank "The Crank" Camacho.

Meanwhile, Trench Tech head Cuki Alvarez said that "The Crank" will have a BJJ Gi

super fight, too against a fellow brown belt fighter from Guam.

Cuki is reminding registered individuals to turn in their \$20 entry fees on or before Nov. 4. Matches in AOW 11 this Saturday will run from 9am to 4pm.

BSI

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markers, 68-72, entering the fourth canto.

Pablo, who was scoreless in the third period, then knocked in two early triples in the final frame to start things off for BSI-Blue Eagle, while Schmidt delivered the killer blows in the end with his string of baskets to complete the come-from-behind win.

Pablo finished the game with 13 points, while Duenas

also broke into double figures, chipping in 12. Mangali led all scorers with his 37 markers.

Meanwhile, Stephen's Pawnshop improved its record to 3-2 after outclassing Armatech, 79-71.

Stephen's Pawnshop led right from the start to hand Armatech its second loss in as many games.

Big man Jorge De Guzman dominated Armatech's frontliners after firing 27 points and drew enough support from his teammates. James Abuy

contributed 18, while Michael Espinosa and Raymund Tolentino tallied 13 and 11, respectively.

First Game

BSI-Blue Eagle 98 — Schmidt 35, Pablo 13, Matt Duenas 12, Villarin 12, Raho 7, Manny Duenas 6, Standish 4, Palino 2, Tobias 2, De La Torre 2.

Save More 87 — Mangali 37, Maesa 10, Lilles 10, Sison 9, Quan 9, Viola 6, Mateo 4, Villanueva 2.

Scoring by quarters: 19-21, 44-52, 68-72, 98-87.

Second Game

Stephen's Pawnshop 79 — De Guzman 27, Abuy 18, Espinosa 13, Tolentino 11, Aranda 6, L. Aquino 2, G. Aquino 2.

Armatech 71 — Alipio 15, Montano 14, Moreno 8, J. Malasarte 8, Asuhan 6, Tolosa 6, Poquiz 4, Park 4, B. Malasarte 2.

Scoring by quarters: 24-17, 42-33, 66-53, 79-71.

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| Atlantic Division | | | | | Southwest Division | | | | |
| | W | L | Pct | GB | | | | | |
| Boston | 2 | 1 | .667 | — | San Antonio | 4 | 0 | 1.000 | — |
| Toronto | 1 | 1 | .500 | ½ | Houston | 2 | 1 | .667 | 1½ |
| New York | 1 | 1 | .500 | ½ | Memphis | 2 | 1 | .667 | 1½ |
| Brooklyn | 1 | 2 | .333 | 1 | New Orleans | 0 | 3 | .000 | 3½ |
| Philadelphia | 0 | 2 | .000 | 1½ | Dallas | 0 | 3 | .000 | 3½ |
| Southeast Division | | | | | Northwest Division | | | | |
| Atlanta | 2 | 0 | 1.000 | — | Oklahoma City | 3 | 0 | 1.000 | — |
| Charlotte | 2 | 1 | .667 | ½ | Portland | 2 | 1 | .667 | 1 |
| Miami | 1 | 2 | .333 | 1½ | Denver | 1 | 1 | .500 | 1½ |
| Washington | 0 | 2 | .000 | 2 | Utah | 1 | 2 | .333 | 2 |
| Orlando | 0 | 3 | .000 | 2½ | Minnesota | 0 | 2 | .000 | 2½ |
| Central Division | | | | | Pacific Division | | | | |
| Cleveland | 3 | 0 | 1.000 | — | L.A. Clippers | 2 | 0 | 1.000 | — |
| Chicago | 2 | 0 | 1.000 | ½ | Sacramento | 2 | 1 | .667 | ½ |
| Detroit | 2 | 1 | .667 | 1 | Golden State | 2 | 1 | .667 | ½ |
| Milwaukee | 1 | 2 | .333 | 2 | L.A. Lakers | 1 | 2 | .333 | 1½ |
| Indiana | 1 | 2 | .333 | 2 | Phoenix | 0 | 3 | .000 | 2½ |

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| AMERICAN CONFERENCE | | | | | | | NATIONAL CONFERENCE | | | | | | |
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| East | | | | | | | East | | | | | | |
| | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA | | | | | | | |
| New England | 7 | 1 | 0 | .875 | 217 | 132 | Dallas | 6 | 1 | 0 | .857 | 188 | 130 |
| Buffalo | 4 | 4 | 0 | .500 | 212 | 172 | Philadelphia | 4 | 3 | 0 | .571 | 179 | 117 |
| Miami | 3 | 4 | 0 | .429 | 146 | 159 | N.Y. Giants | 4 | 3 | 0 | .571 | 133 | 141 |
| N.Y. Jets | 3 | 5 | 0 | .375 | 150 | 208 | Washington | 4 | 3 | 1 | .563 | 186 | 189 |
| South | | | | | | | South | | | | | | |
| Houston | 5 | 3 | 0 | .625 | 137 | 167 | Atlanta | 5 | 3 | 0 | .625 | 262 | 231 |
| Tennessee | 4 | 4 | 0 | .500 | 182 | 183 | Tampa Bay | 3 | 4 | 0 | .429 | 152 | 189 |
| Indianapolis | 3 | 5 | 0 | .375 | 208 | 230 | New Orleans | 3 | 4 | 0 | .429 | 201 | 215 |
| Jacksonville | 2 | 5 | 0 | .286 | 139 | 196 | Carolina | 2 | 5 | 0 | .286 | 191 | 196 |
| North | | | | | | | North | | | | | | |
| Pittsburgh | 4 | 3 | 0 | .571 | 170 | 150 | Minnesota | 5 | 1 | 0 | .833 | 129 | 84 |
| Cincinnati | 3 | 4 | 1 | .438 | 167 | 189 | Green Bay | 4 | 3 | 0 | .571 | 172 | 156 |
| Baltimore | 3 | 4 | 0 | .429 | 133 | 139 | Detroit | 4 | 4 | 0 | .500 | 183 | 190 |
| Cleveland | 0 | 8 | 0 | .000 | 158 | 238 | Chicago | 1 | 6 | 0 | .143 | 111 | 169 |
| West | | | | | | | West | | | | | | |
| Denver | 6 | 2 | 0 | .750 | 194 | 136 | Seattle | 4 | 2 | 1 | .643 | 131 | 109 |
| Oakland | 6 | 2 | 0 | .750 | 215 | 203 | Arizona | 3 | 4 | 1 | .438 | 179 | 140 |
| Kansas City | 5 | 2 | 0 | .714 | 166 | 137 | Los Angeles | 3 | 4 | 0 | .429 | 120 | 154 |
| San Diego | 3 | 5 | 0 | .375 | 225 | 212 | San Francisco | 1 | 6 | 0 | .143 | 144 | 219 |

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2016 NMIFA Fall League

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TanHoldings Football Club's Mareko Tekopua goes up for a header during their game against Kanoa FC in the boys U17 division of the 2016 NMIFA Fall League late last month at the Oleai Sports Complex Field.



Kanoa's Andruw Omelau, third left, dribbles against TanHoldings defenders.

TanHoldings' Joshua Galarion, right, has possession while teammate Anthony Fruit and two Kanoa players stay close in the play.



Kanoa's Andruw Omelau steps back to retrieve the ball, while Louie Calayag keeps a close eye on him.



TanHoldings' Jonah Pohl attempts to dribble past his defender.

TanHoldings' Anthony Fruit, third left, tries to attack the defense of Kanoa's Sebastien Manabat.



Kanoa's goalie dives to try to catch the ball, while his teammate also steps in on defense to prevent TanHoldings from scoring.



TanHoldings' Mareko Tekopua, second left, intercepts the ball.





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BSI-Blue Eagle rallies past Save More



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BSI-Blue Eagle's Douglas Schmidt soars for a fastbreak layup, while Save More's Marlon Sison looks on during the second quarter of their game in the UFO caging last Saturday at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

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Save More had less in the fourth quarter, allowing Best Sunshine International-Blue Eagle to pull off a 98-87 come-from-behind win in the second game in the 2016 UFO/IT&E Inter-Organizational Basketball League last Saturday at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

BSI-Blue Eagle doubled up Save More in the playoff canto, 30-15, to overhaul a 16-point deficit in the first half and steal the win—the former's fourth in five games. Save More absorbed its third loss after five matches.

Save More squandered a 41-25 advantage midway in the second quarter as it failed to stop Douglas Schmidt from scoring a bundle in the final half. Schmidt dropped 22 of his 35 points in the last 20 minutes of play, including 11 in the fourth canto and 8 straight in the closing minutes of the game.

Earlier in the second period, Schmidt returned to the court when Save More was threatening to pull away behind the outside sniping of Elgene Mangali. The BSI-Blue Eagle gunner drilled 6 of the team's last 8 points in the first half, while Dindo Pablo added a pair of triples to cut the deficit to single digits at the break, 44-52.

At the resumption of the

match, Schmidt continued to do damage for BSI-Blue Eagle, while Matt Duenas was finally reinserted into the game after sitting on the bench for the ma-

jority of the second period and quickly made his contribution. The two combined for 19 of BSI-Blue Eagle's 24 points to move their team within 4

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Entries in Art of War 11 pile up



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Roman Alvarez, left, is seen here working on his BJJ techniques with Cuki Alvarez at the Trench Tech Gym late last month.

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Expect a busy day in this weekend's Art of War 11: Submission Grappling/BJJ Tournament at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium as entries to the competition has reached over 80.

The welterweight division (156lbs to 175lbs) has drawn the most fighters so far with 15. Trench Tech's very own Shane and Roman Alvarez headline the welterweight cast, which also includes Dane Salazar, Joel Subang, Vince Torres, Vince Masga, Jeffery Garcia, Lucas Nutting, Jasper Van Der Maas, Allan Aguon, Joey Crisostomo Jr., Stanley Iakopo, Gordon Salas Jr., Dan Cruz, and Herman Duenas.

Another "star-studded" weight class is the heavy-weight division (205lbs and up) as it will feature Kelvin "The Big Hit" Fital and Frank "The Crank" Camacho. Completing the list are

Joe Ocampo, Adam Harris, Roman Alvarez, Ningbo Cepeda, Joshua Q. Castro, Lil John Aguon, Anthony Rivera, Nate Untalan, and Kier Agda.

In the flyweight division (100lbs to 105lbs), the competitors are Keoni Castro, Piling Terlaje, Giovonni Taitingfong, Sea'Hara Cruz, and Jadrien Camacho, while the bantamweight category (126lbs to 136lbs) has also Taitingfong and Castrom Jay Muña, Bradlee Manalo, Kenji Okiyama, Kenny Velasquez, Drew Sablan, and Elden Dela Cruz.

Young gun Lorenzo Attao leads the featherweight class (136lbs to 145lbs) and he will be joined by Nick Cruz, Muna, Seay Camacho, Mark Nuique, Blessam Tarkong, Ricky Camp, Okiyama, Derrick Rangamar, Velasquez, and Drew Sablan.

The lightweight category (146lbs to 155lbs) has a mix

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CNMI to focus on defense in AFC qualifier

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Defense will be the CNMI U19 Women's National Team's battle cry as its competes in the AFC U19 Women's

Championship 2017 Qualifiers in Nanjing, China, starting tomorrow.

"This will probably be the toughest competition for our young players so they really



have to focus on defense to limit the scoring of Australia and Jordan. Our realistic goal is to keep the scoring to single digits," said coach Luam Khen Koo in an

earlier interview with *Saipan Tribune*.

Koo and the 18-player women's team left Saipan for China last Friday. The Commonwealth squad is made up of captains Chloe Salvosa and Dianne Pablo, goalies Chevy Kate Alipio, Carla Ballesteros, and Toremy Diaz, defenders Elaine Enriquez, Krizel Tuazon, De Jana Muna, Samantha Manacop, Grace Choi, Pinyarat Shankweiler, Anela Duenas, and Bernadette Horey, and midfielders Diana

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Coach Luam Khen Koo supervises the CNMI U19 Women's National Team's training session at the Oleai Sports Complex Field last week.

